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The Formidable Document in Full.

Extraordinary Changes Proposed in the City Government.

How the Democrats Propose to Manage Things.

A Bill to Regulate the Market of Hyacinths in New-York.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Feb. 2, 1870.

The Senate was engaged in a general cleaup to-day, but the bills discussed were mainly of local interest. There will be an Executive Session to-morrow, when, it is asserted, the remainder of the Governor's nominees will be confirmed. The wrath of the disappointed Senators has cooled down, or other medicine have been "fixed up" so that the Governor and his advisers can go on harmoniously together again. The nominations for Harbor Masters and Port Wardens, it is said, will not be sent in until next week, which is regretted by the 3,000 applicants, a large share of whom have been hanging around the Capitol since the beginning of the session, waiting for something to turn up.

RAILROAD AND GAS BILLS.

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END OF TRAUPMANN.

We reprint below a letter from our Paris correspondent descriptive of the execution of the Pantin murderer, which appeared in a small portion only of yesterday's edition of the TIMES.

Execution of the Assassin of the Kinck Family—No Confession Made by the Criminal—His Self-Possession and Calmness in His Last Moments—Curious Behavior of the Priest in Attendance.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1870.

The monster whose crimes have won for him a world-wide notoriety, has at last expiated them on the scaffold. An apprehension existed that the Imperial clemency might be exerted in his behalf so far at the capital punishment was concerned. The only foundation for an assumption so improbable, was the belief expressed by the Republicans that the Emperor would avail himself of this opportunity of creating a precedent for the more lenient treatment of his cousin. I need scarcely say to you that the interests of the dynasty are involved in the rigid and impartial execution of the sentence of the High Court of Justice in regard to Prince PIERRE BONAPARTE, whatever that sentence may be. There must be no dallying with the necessities of the case such as was exhibited in connection with the offence of Prince ACHILLE MURAT, who, I am glad to say, is at last to be brought to trial. All further speculation in regard to TRAUPMANN has, however, been put an end to by his execution this morning, and therefore it is unnecessary to say anything more in reference to the reports which have been circulated in regard to the probability of the commutation of his sentence.

As I stated in my last, the neighborhood of the prison in which the murderer has been confined has presented all the aspects of a fair since his appeal to the Court of Cassation has been rejected. For the last three or four nights there could not have been less than from thirty to forty thousand people on the spot. The patience which they exhibited, and the endurance of the damp and cold which they supported during the long watches of the night, afforded melancholy evidence of what people will be content to suffer for the gratification of a morbid, or, to speak more accurately, a savage curiosity.

The Prison of La Roquette marks the last stage in the career of the criminal who is destined to expiate with his life his offences against society. It is inclosed by a high wall, which leaves only the upper stories visible. The executions of criminals take place on the open ground comprised between the prison and the Rue la Roquette, the scaffold being erected in front of the principal entrance. Five stone flags of oblong shape inserted in the pavement serve at once to indicate the spot and support the framework of the temporary construction.

For the last three days and nights all the restaurants, cafés, eating houses and tobacco shops of the Boulevard have been doing an immense business. They have never closed for an hour during the whole period.

Shortly before midnight two large vehicles arrived in front of the prison. One of them contained the timber joists forming the frame work of the scaffold. The other was destined to receive the body of the murderer after the execution. The executioner's aids immediately proceeded to put together the woodwork composing the scaffold and the guillotine, and the wagon intended for the body was drawn up alongside the walls of the prison. An old man, small in stature, and clad in a shiny hat and a long rusty palletot, directed the operations, smoking a pipe all the while. This was M. DUBLOT, first aid of Monsieur de Paris.

The platform was erected on pine trestles which were adjusted on the flags to which I have made allusion above. The two arms of the guillotine were then elevated and fixed. The work was carried on by the light of a lantern, held by a child about 10 years old. Cries of indignation were heard amongst the crowd at this sight, on which M. LOMBARD, one of the officers de paix, ordered the workman to send the boy down. The father of the child, the carpenter usually employed on these occasions, protested against his interference, and M. LOMBARD had to repeat his orders in a stern tone before they were complied with. The child himself showed a good deal of ill humor at his dismissal. All this time the executioner, M. HEINDREICH, stood at the foot of the scaffold superintending the operations of his assistants. He is a fine-looking man with white hair and whiskers, piercing eyes, and hands and feet almost as small and delicate as those of a woman. He was dressed in a long black overcoat, and wore a white silk handkerchief round his neck by way of a muffler. "M. de Paris," as he is traditionally called by virtue of his office, is a bachelor and property owner.

While his aids were completing the erection of the guillotine the chief executioner proceeded to the prison, turned the outer back, and took formal possession of the criminal. After this he smoked a cigarette, and then, it is said, drank off a bowiful of milk!

The personnel of the scaffold is composed of one master carpenter, two assistant carpenters, four wagon drivers, one mechanician, two assistant and one chief executioner.

The blade of the guillotine weighs 125 pounds. In descending the grooves at the foot of which it strikes the neck of the criminal it acquires by the rapidity of its fall a force and weight of 800 pounds. It is said that M. HEINDREICH has effected some improvements in the instrument. I have not made much near acquaintance with it as to be able to tell you what they are.

M. CLAUDE arrived at the prison at 9 in the evening, accompanied by M. LAMBQUIN, the Commissary of Police of the quarter. He was informed that TRAUPMANN was sleeping, and he gave orders that he should not be disturbed for some hours to come.

When the arrangements connected with the guillotine had been completed, the chief executioner ascended the platform to satisfy himself that it worked well. This was about 2 in the morning. On descending again he put on his overcoat, which he had laid aside in order to try the machine, and walked about for awhile to warm himself. The morning had become very cold. The anxiety and impatience of the crowd were now visibly on the increase. The Gardes de Paris and the Sergens de Ville had difficulty in preventing it from invading the open space in front of the prison, and thus interfering with the operations of the executioner and his assistants. In the avenue and streets leading to the Place the multitude was so compressed that many became ill and fainted. Every tree which commanded a view of the place of execution was black with the *gamins* of the Faubourgs. It was said that one of them fell from his perch, and was killed. The crowd sang and hooted to while away the weary hours. The scene was indescribably disgusting to any one of the least sensibility.

The chaplain did not arrive until about 4 o'clock. He drove up to the door of the conciergerie, and left the vehicle there. Just at that moment a movement was observed among a crowd of policemen at the corner of the Rue de la Roquette. An officer of the Municipal Guards had lost a valuable ring. A gamin, throwing in sovereignty in the branches of a neighboring tree, irreverently burst out into the refrain of "Partie lui son cochon." Pandemonium quickly followed the offence. Four sturdy men shook the tree and Gavroche tumbled down to receive a sound whipping. At that moment Claudet, the singer, carefully muffled up in wrappers and fur, passed along. The crowd took no more notice of the hard-name than if he had been an ordinary mortal.

At 5 o'clock the vehicle which was to convey the body to its last resting place, as Clamart, took up its station at the foot of the scaffold, so as to permit the basket containing the head to be lowered into it immediately after the execution.

TRAUPMANN had slept all night. He had retired to bed at 9 o'clock, and had commenced to slumber directly, as usual. Could he have known that the "fatal hour" was so nigh? He must certainly have had some idea of it, though the fact had not been formally communicated to him as yet.

Traupmann, ghastly corpse, perfectly lit by flickering lamps, and up and down staircases, sometimes narrow, sometimes wide, the journalists present were led to TRAUPMANN'S cell, which was situated on the ground floor, and followed. The excitement of the prisoner had reached its climax. The criminal was awake; he sat before a table in the attitude of a man who was about to write. Monsieur CLAUDE informed him, in a low voice, that the fatal moment had arrived. Father CHOMME approached the culprit and exhorted him to meet his fate courageously. But TRAUPMANN'S features betrayed no emotion. The Chief of the Detective Police now addressed him:

"TRAUPMANN, now that your last moment approaches, will you confess your crime?"

"No," he replied in a firm voice, "that is to say, I have been guilty, but not of murder; I have not killed any one."

"You persist in your assertion about your accomplices?"

"Yes."

"Will you name them?"

All eyes were fastened on the criminal, and all present held their breath.

"No," he curtly replied.

TRAUPMANN, who had made his will the previous day, here handed to one of the jailers a letter for his mother, observing, with imperturbable calmness, that the official must not forget to put it into an envelope.

The first "toilette" was then proceeded with—that is to say, the prison suit, and the clothes which it had lent, not given, to the culprit, the straight jacket was taken off, for he was to die in his own clothes, those which he had worn when arrested and which had been scrupulously preserved. TRAUPMANN'S *sang-froid* during this operation was extraordinary. His look was firm, without insolence, and his movements quick and easy. He buttoned his shirt carefully at the neck, made sure that it sat well, and stooped to put on his shoes slowly and quietly as a man would do in his own room preparing to go out on some insignificant errand. A glass of wine and some bread were offered to him, but he refused them.

Outside the prison another scene was being enacted. The executioner and his assistants were making their last examination of the terrible machine. A ladder was leaning against it. A man ascended, loosened the cord and experimented several times to see if the knife slipped well. All was in order.

In the meanwhile TRAUPMANN had been left alone with the venerable priest; every one else had left the little cell, even the jailers had stepped aside. A few minutes after, the small procession made its appearance in the corridors and proceeded to the hall. TRAUPMANN in front between two assistants of the executioner. With surer step than any of the party he ascended the staircase which we had just trodden, and traversed the seemingly interminable passages.

In the hall the second toilette was proceeded with, the murderer's hair and the collar of his shirt were cut off, his hands and feet were tied—the former behind his back, the latter so as to permit only the most necessary movements. A person engaged in putting on a new suit of clothes could not, apparently, be in a calmer or serener state of mind than that of the culprit. The priest read the Passion of Christ in a low voice. M. CLAUDE asked TRAUPMANN for the last time:

"Do you persist in your assertions?"

"I do. I do," he replied with an incredible calmness.

The persons present were told that generally when persons about to be executed leave the door of the prison, and see the fatal machine before them, their courage vanishes. But TRAUPMANN never hesitated, never made a false step. The assistants simply walked alongside of him.

On placing his foot on the first of the ten steps conducting to the scaffold, and after kissing the crucifix borne by the chaplain, the criminal turned round for a moment, as if seeking some one. He was looking for the Chief of the Secret Police. Not seeing the latter, he said to the worthy priest who accompanied him:

"Tell Mons. CLAUDE that I persisted in my assertions to the last."

Then he ascended the fatal steps. It was still dark, though the morning was beginning to dawn. It was difficult for the spectators to perceive what was passing on the scaffold. The axe had done its office; the head of the assassin had fallen under it. The executioner, on descending, said that the criminal at the last moment had attempted to venge and to bite him. The savage spirit had revived and broken through his show of calmness.

During all this time hardly a sound was to be heard from the crowd. It must have been impossible for the persons composing it to follow the operations of the executioner and his assistant, as even those nearest the scaffold could discern nothing through the gloom. It was very cold. Most people were shivering and stamping their feet, and the general remark that "all was over" the multitude dispersed, glad to escape from the scene which they had been so eager to witness.

The Guillotine—Complete Revolution of the French Government of Death.

The guillotine of the present day is smaller, less clumsy, and more manageable than its prototype of old, still it is the same instrument, and the modifications which it has successively undergone have changed neither the action of its mechanism nor its general form. It consists of a square-shaped scaffold, thirteen feet long by about twelve feet six inches wide, supported on four posts six feet in height, and reached by a flight of ten steps. This scaffold is railed in on all sides, with an open balustrade, and at two-thirds of its length are fixed two upright parallel posts, surmounted by a cross beam which goes by the name of the "chapeau." They are thirteen feet high, and have a space of about fifteen inches between them. The knife, which is attached to the chapeau, is composed of a triangular blade of steel, fixed by means of three iron pins into a leaden half, called the "mouton," which gives it great weight. This mouton is nearly fourteen inches broad, and the blade at its greatest width hardly a foot. At rather more than three feet above the platform are two planks, placed vertically one over the other, and with a semi-circular portion cut out of each, so that when they are brought together the opening has the appearance of a full moon. These are known as the "lunette." The lower plank is fastened to the upright posts, while the upper one, sliding in lateral grooves, can be raised or lowered at will. Between the posts and the staircase is the "bascule," a narrow piece of board, which when at rest is vertical, but which a mere touch will bring into a horizontal position. In falling it comes on to a solidly supported table, longer than itself, and extending right up to the lunette. The bascule, furnished with castors, rolls along this table, and, by a rapid motion, brings the head of the criminal, who is fastened to it, on to the lower half circle, so as to secure it there. To the right of the bascule, and attached to it by hinges, is an inclined plane, placed so as to rest against the side of an enormous wicker-basket, lined with zinc, and filled with sawdust. Underneath the bascule and the lunette is a trough of oblong shape, and in front of the upright posts is an apparatus which secures the head of the criminal and prevents it from rolling on to the platform should it fall from the hands of the assistant charged to hold it. The entire machine, painted with its various accessories, is painted a disagreeable deep blood-red color. The bascule is provided with a double leather strap and buckles, in order to prevent any resistance on the part of the criminal; but this is rarely if ever used. The upper semicircle falls rapidly by means of a very simple piece of mechanism put in action by a button, which it is only necessary to press. The knife is attached to the chapeau by a kind of clew, shaped like the figure 8, the lower part of which opens when the upper closes. A cord hanging near to the button already noticed acts upon a lever, which, bringing the upper portions of the clew together, compels the lower to separate and set the knife free. This latter, sliding through the open space, is accelerated in its descent by the mass of lead that surrounds it, and falls with dreadful rapidity, severing in its course the neck of the victim of polished steel collars running in grooves provided for that purpose on the upright posts. In fall it just shaves the surface of the lunette, and is finally stopped by two springs covered with discs of India rubber, which deaden the shock and prevent noise. The reader will now comprehend the extreme simplicity of this death-guillotine accomplishing its terrible work. The criminal, having mounted the scaffold, finds himself in front of the vertical bascule, which extends from the above the waist to the middle of the breast, and facing him also is the lunette, with its movable portion raised. The assistant, with its movable portion raised. The assistant, with the aspect, which falls into the horizontal position, and then pushes it along the table, the head of the victim seems as it were to thrust itself into the semi-circular opening of the lunette, and an assistant immediately seizes hold of the hair. Two things now remain to be done—to let press the button which sets in motion the mechanism of the guillotine, causing it to fall and secure the head of the criminal—the other is to see lest the knife which is to cut the head off. On decapitation taking place, the head is thrown into the basket while the executioner, by a single motion slides the body down the inclined plane. The rapidity of the motion is almost inconceivable, and death is as a matter of course instantaneous. The oblique blade, made exceedingly heavy, by its sudden fall, [illegible] the neck of the victim. The [illegible] weighs down the legs of the criminal, while the executioner hastens on the *dénouement*. These combined movements, all differing one from the other, are accomplished by three individuals with a precision and a promptitude that prevent the smallest hitch from occurring.

RANK IN THE NAVY.

Letter from Secretary Robeson to the Chairman of the Naval Committee of the House.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, Jan. 26, 1870.

SIR: I have this day, in compliance with their resolution, transmitted to the House of Representatives a copy of the record of proceedings and papers of the Board of Officers heretofore convened by order of this Department to take into consideration the subject of commissioned rank between the officers of the various corps of the navy.

At the same time, in accordance with the expressed wishes of some of its members, I send to your Committee such brief suggestions in regard to the subject matter embodied in the report of said Board, as seem to me to be for the good of the service. These suggestions I have, for the purpose of giving them definite form, commended to the shape of the bill hereunto inclosed. But it must be understood that these are merely such suggestions as after diligent inquiry and much reflection seem to me to be, in the main, the most convenient and best means of the settlement of the question, and are suggested in the spirit of a desire to promote the best interests of the service; and they are to be regarded as suggestions only, and in no sense as an endeavor to enforce the views of the Department in any other manner.

It will be perceived that the provisions of the inclosed bill do not include all the staff or auxiliary corps of the navy, while they are considerably more liberal than those of the bill which passed the Senate at the last session, do not include so great a number of officers in the higher grades as was agreed to by the Board of Officers, nor even so many as are mentioned in the report of the Naval Advisory Board, and which is transmitted to Congress with their report. This is a question of much personal interest, and calculated to excite considerable feeling, and I have hesitated long before differing in this respect from so many experienced officers. I felt that their views had been somewhat influenced by deference to the claims of individuals and a desire to compromise a much-vexed and difficult question, while I am not authorized to yield, for such reason, what seems to me in the respect to be for the public good. In the line of the navy, which ranks next to the staff, I do not think that it is essential to organization and discipline; but in the auxiliary corps it is a matter of personal feeling, dignity and comfort, and these, through considerations of importance, should, in common with all others which are personal, yield to the best interests of the service and of the country.

Looking from this standpoint I have, as already remarked, been constrained, while recommending a larger number of pay, medical and engineer officers of the higher grades, than was provided by the Senate bill above named, and the number of officers recommended by the Board, believing that number to be larger than a fair adjustment of public and personal claims requires or will allow. The Board have recommended in the medical and pay corps, respectively, higher one officer with the rank of commodore, in the navy, and one officer with the rank of brigadier-general in the army; that there be allowed fifteen officers, ranking with captain in the navy—corresponding with that of colonel in the army—and ten officers of like rank in the Engineer Corps, adding forty officers with the rank of captain. Add to these two commodores, four captains, and four lieutenant-colonels, ranking with captain, and we have as the active list of the regular auxiliary corps, which number, together but an officer of all grades, fifty officers, while in the line corps of Line officers, including commodores, there is not the same number of officers of that rank. Yet in contradistinction, and as all just principles of rank contemplate, and equity requires, individual claims or public interest. The bill which I propose gives the auxiliary corps twenty-eight captains in all, certainly a full proportion.

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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Full History of the Relapsing Fever—The Sewer-Cleansing Question.

The regular weekly meeting of the Board of Health was held yesterday, President LINCOLN being in the chair. The chief object of interest was the report of Sanitary Superintendent HARRIS on the relapsing fever, in which he says:

It is a disease so much like the typhus and the typhoid fevers, that the Board of Health, in New-York, accept the statistics standing in their name, as one that the Board of Health has yet to deal with. It is continued: But it differs from all other fevers in the one particular, which seems well ascertained, to wit: That after a severe and rapid fever, it is followed by a remarkable condition of fever, and the symptoms of typhus, or typhoid, or both, are wanting. This fever is called the relapsing fever, from its tendency, in some cases, to be followed by a second fever, with a violent relapse of fever, from which recovery is more rare than the earlier one, and the mortality of which is the striking mark by which this fever may be distinguished from the typhus or typhoid fever. As all the symptoms, whatever, are present, as well as the fever, for one week, it is a contagious fever, that never stops, in any country, or city, or village, where it is once in the country, established, and remains, the relapsing fever, is not to be classed as typhus, in Europe, it is in dirty districts, and in dirty districts, and remains, as Dr. CHARLES MURCHISON has said, the most common, and most fatal, of all the fevers, being contagious. It is indeed, an experience already proved, to spread in a limited degree to all classes and has been the old Irish appellation, a name from a fever, under the law of typhus, and everywhere, a leading fact in its epidemic history. Fortunately, it is not a very dangerous disease, and the mortality, is not very great, and, it is continued, Epidemics have prevailed, in the Fourth Ward to a terrible all the foreign, and, in the Fourth Ward, and in the hospitals, the Board, and in the lodging houses, and in the lodging houses, and in the hospitals, and in the lodging houses, and in the hospitals, and in the lodging houses, and in the hospitals

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

A public meeting in Paris, on Tuesday night, was dissolved by the Police because a speaker compared M. OLLIVIER to Judas Iscariot ....A proposition to empower the Presidents of the French Chambers to demand an armed force to insure freedom of debate was rejected .....Lozanne has been granted to perform Victor Hugo's drama in Paris....The Paris Pays says the rumored reduction of the French army is groundless....Much dissatisfaction is felt by Americans residing in Paris at the tardy delivery of their papers. Yesterday papers overdue a week, were distributed.... A Vienna dispatch says the Archduchess ELIZABETH of Austria has fled to America....Dr. DÖLLINGER has been chosen President of the Swiss Confederation....Seven members of the Ecumenical Council have died and four have left since the convening of that body at Rome. Dr. DOLLINGER has received the congratulations of the University of Breslau for his protest against the dogma of infallibility....The British Treasury Department has paid £720,000 sterling for the cable between England and Germany, as the first movement in taking possession of the telegraph lines of the country....A London dispatch says a letter from a British naval officer on the coast of Africa contains a report that Dr. LIVINGSTONE had been burned as a wizard by a chief in the interior.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Mr. CHANDLER stated that he was a "non-interventionist." The Railway bills granting public lands for a road from Maine to Oregon, and extending the time for the completion of the Baltimore and Potomac Railway, were each, on motion, taken up, and, after some discussion, laid over. The Currency bill was finally disposed of. The amendments of the Committee of the Whole were adopted. Mr. MONROE, as a compromise, allowing a change in his amendment, acted on the day before, fixing the amount of currency to be withdrawn from States having an excess at $20,000,000 instead of $12,000,000. The bill was passed by a vote of 30 to 23. The bill providing for a transfer of naval appropriations was again discussed and again laid over. Mr. HOWE made a speech in advocacy of his bill to more effectually preserve our central relations, referring particularly in his remarks to the present position of the Cuban question. After he had concluded, considerable discussion arose as to whether the debate on the bill should proceed further, or whether the Census bill should be taken up. No conclusion was reached, and at 4:15 P. M. the Senate adjourned.

In the House Messrs. POLAND, GARFIELD and COX were Appointed Regents of the Smithsonian Institute. A number of petitions were presented and several bills introduced of no particular interest. Among the resolutions was one offered by Mr. LOGAN looking to the recognition of the Cubans as belligerents. Two or three bills of a personal character were reported and passed. The bill establishing a uniform system of naturalization was reported and recommitted. The report of the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the resolution in reference to American citizens imprisoned abroad for political reasons led to a long debate. No action, however, was taken on the subject, and it went over for the day. In Committee of the Whole the Senate bill for the relief of the poor in the District of Columbia, appropriating $40,000 therefor, was discussed at length, but without final action on the bill, the House, at 4:20 P. M., adjourned.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday the bill authorizing the construction of a railroad in One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, New-York, was reported. Among the bills introduced was one requiring the signature of a passenger, consignee or consignor as exempt public carriers from liability. Notice was given of a bill to regulate the quality of gas in New-York, also of one to charter a gas company between Forty-second and Seventy-ninth streets.

In the Assembly the bill to provide for the division of the contested was reported. The bill to change the name of the Tenth and Twenty-fourth Ward Company, and that amending the act providing for the government of the City of New-York were passed. Bills were introduced to charter the Brooklyn Market Company, and authorizing various street improvements in that city. A bill was introduced by Mr. FERRY to reorganize the local government of New-York City, which was referred to the Committee on the Affairs of Cities. Among the other bills introduced were one authorizing a public market in the Twenty-first Ward, New-York; to repeal the act of last session relating to the Erie, Hudson River, Harlem and New-York Central Railroads; to repeal the act chartering the New-York Hansom Cab Company. After debate the resolutions making a reduction of pay and mileage of members of Congress, and the abolition of the franking privilege, were adopted.

GENERAL.

News from Mexico, by way of New-Orleans and Brownsville, represents affairs there to be gloomy, the revolution to be strengthening, and the Government unable to suppress the movements which are in progress in the States of Puebla, San Luis Potosi, Guanajuato, Queretaro and Michoacan.

The new Army Register, corrected to Sept. 1, 1869, has just been issued by the War Department.

Patents for lands due the Oregon Central Railroad for twenty miles just completed from East Portland to Multomah County, Oregon, have been ordered by the President.

JOHN D. LANG, of Vassalborough, Me., has been appointed one of the ten Commissioners of the Indian Department under the act of April 10, 1869.

The Maine House of Representatives has directed its Committee on Legal Reform to inquire into the expediency of abolishing capital punishment.

A Convention of colored men will meet at Frankfort, Ky., on the 22d inst.

A mob in Springfield, Ky., took two men accused of rape from the jail, and hanged them. In a subsequent attack the other prisoners defended themselves. One of them secured the pistol of one of the mob, and with it routed the assailants.

The Republicans of the Second Wisconsin District have nominated DAVID ATWOOD, of Madison, for Congress, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. HOSKINS.

The Dominion Government is preparing an expedition to the Winnepeg region, to proceed on the opening of Spring, in boats thirty-six feet long, six feet wide and three feet deep, a large number of which have just been ordered.

The town of New-Haven, Conn., has voted, by 191 to 182, in favor of postponing indefinitely the question of loaning its credit to the "Air Line Railroad."

Efforts are put forth in St. Louis, Mo., to close the theatres there on Sunday night.

LOCAL.

A man named GEORGE JUDSON, who for some time past has held the position of clerk and cashier in the Brooklyn Post Office, has been arrested, charged with appropriating and converting to his own use a large amount of public money which had been intrusted to his safe keeping. The exact amount has not yet been made public.

The funeral services of JAMES MONCRIEF, ex-Judge of the Superior Court, who died in this City Tuesday, in the 68th year of his age, will take place at the Reformed Church, Washington-square, to-morrow at 10 A. M.

The missing Wyanokie children were found yesterday morning under a shelving rock, two miles from their home. The bodies were partially eaten by the crows.

In the Glamon divorce case yesterday the jury, after deliberating over an hour, were unable to agree and the Court discharged them. They stood seven for plaintiff and five for defendant.

There were 637 immigrants landed at this Port since Jan. 26, making a total of 4,284 who have arrived since the 1st ult.

The Case of Mississippi—An Opportunity for Congress.

It is understood that the Reconstruction Committee will meet to-day to take up the case of Mississippi, and to consider the bill declaring that State entitled to representation. An opportunity is now offered to Congress for retrieving the blunders it made in the treatment of Virginia, and for setting itself right before the South and the country. Virginia presented herself before Congress in good faith, asking for prompt and generous treatment at its hands. She was received, from a variety of causes which we need not now rehearse, with ill-deserved coldness, and encountered a spirit of suspicion, fault-finding and exaction totally unjustified by the facts in her case, and at variance, we believe, with the general sympathies of the country.

Mississippi now gives Congress a chance to repair this former error, so far as it can be repaired, by the display of a generous and confiding temper. This State has done all that the Reconstruction acts required it to do. It has adopted a Constitution republican in form and in spirit. Its action has been in harmony with Congressional legislation. The delegation it has chosen, both to the Senate and the House, is composed of members eligible to seats in those bodies. To all intents and purposes, it has conformed to the programme laid down by Congress as preliminary to admission, and has done so in good faith. Let Congress but meet the State by equal good faith, and with a cordial greeting, and it will relieve itself in great measure of the odium connected with its early reception of Virginia. It should take pains to show the country that it can do something else than give the cold shoulder to returning States, and that it will meet an honest compliance with its own terms in a spirit of friendship and magnanimity.

With regard to Texas, the same policy should be pursued. In this case matters are not so far advanced as in the case of Mississippi; but the principle of cordial welcome to the full sisterhood of States is the same in both instances. In matters so grave, the question of party ought not to arise; and yet, even on grounds of party expediency, the policy of hearty greeting is the only true one. There is no better way of making Mississippi permanently Republican than to treat her with confidence; and while this recognition of good faith will strengthen the party in every Southern State, it will do so still more effectually in the Union at large.

All the guarantees that can be got are now secured. The policy of the future is to heal the war-wounds, and let the era of the "more perfect Union" begin. Sooner or later every State will be in the full enjoyment of its rights and privileges, the sooner the better for us all. The true move for Congress is the forward move—not to wait to date out its concessions, but to give them freely. The substantial safety of the Fifteenth Amendment renders the entire work of pledges and securities for the future as complete as human wisdom can make it. To bluster about prohibition, to contrive hypothetical cases requiring future action, is unworthy and unstatesmanlike. No foresight can provide for such minutiae of detail, and whatever pledges or precautions have not now been secured are not worth securing.

Congress, we repeat, has now, in the cases of Mississippi and Texas, a good opportunity to act promptly and generously. It should do more than accept these States. It should make their acceptance, and the rectitude of their representatives, the occasion for a general proclamation of amnesty. Let the whole matter be settled at a single blow. Instead of peddling out pardons piecemeal any longer, let all political disabilities be struck off at once, so that the work of reconstruction may be sound and complete. If the Forty-first Congress would do this, it would make its present session forever memorable in the history of the country.

Retrenchment the Prime Duty at Washington.

There can no longer be any honest doubt as to the general sentiment of the country in favor of reduced taxation. The demand for it is plain, pointed and almost unanimous; and it is backed, too, by a public opinion as decided in this respect as it has been confiding and self-sacrificing during the war. Nor is this demand any the less patriotic, because it is somewhat peremptory in seeking relief from present burdens. It is to be hoped that Congress will meet the claims of the people in this matter in a spirit and manner befitting a subject of such paramount importance.

As a correlative question, we are glad to note that retrenchment, in a genuine and substantial form, is attracting more than ordinary public attention; because no scheme of relief can be complete into whose consideration this does not enter as a leading element. Rigorously and comprehensively applied, it will not only contribute materially to lighten the load of taxation, but add no little strength to other assurances against any possible drawbacks or contingencies of a material reduction. It is the handmaid of a wise Administration of our finances. It becomes an obligation, also, from another and more general point of view. A Government which is lavish, or even incautious in its expenditures, which uses the public money less carefully or prudently than it would private money under analogous conditions; which, in a word, does not hold itself as firmly and conscientiously bound by fixed principles of economy as any merchant or private corporation, cannot be said to be in a healthy state.

The present Administration has made satisfactory progress in reducing the working expenses of the Government. The knife has been mercilessly at work in the Departments, and a vast number of useless or dispensable branches have been lopped off. To a certain extent this policy has been carried out generally in the customs, internal revenue and other branches of the service; but nothing like so radically as under the immediate supervision of the heads of Departments and Bureaus in Washington. And yet it is clear that the same necessity for as thorough work in this behalf exists elsewhere, and that it can be as safely and advantageously done everywhere else as at the seat of Government. Anything like rigid scrutiny will reveal the fact that there still remain places filled, and well paid for, out of the National Treasury, which are practical sinecures. While one such is left there should be no pause in the operation of that political surgery so healthfully exercised on the supernumerary officers in the Departments. It must be self-evident that, so long as any number of subordinate revenue officials, in this or that district, find abundant time—even after properly discharging their official duties—for the regular and almost continuous prosecution of some private business or profession; and so long as other numbers of worthy and willing men in our custom houses are consumed with easy a third or fourth of their moderate business hours for want of something to do, the relations between the amount of service required and the services,—between the work done and the money paid for it,—need further and nicer adjustment.

The Administration has gone through the executive offices in Washington, and said in substance, to its subordinates: "An honest day's work for a fair day's wages." That watchword, honestly spoken, has exiled the drones and parasites from the public service, and thus far saved a large amount of the people's money; and the public business is still as well, nay, better, because more conscientiously and spiritedly done. Just as soon as the same principle—excluding all extrinsic and non-essential considerations—shall be as earnestly applied to each separate Federal office throughout the country, so soon will one of the weightiest problems of retrenchment, and even of reform, in our entire civil service be practically solved.

There are limits, of course, to even the widest and most inexorable exercise of this power on the part of the Executive. Congress has a complementary and by far a less restricted part to play in this matter of national economy. And on this account its action, at the present juncture, acquires additional interest and significance. There is no reason to distrust the temper of that body, and no distrust is intended to be conveyed in saying that its duty in regard to retrenchment has a much larger range than the most critical analysis and verification, or even cutting down, of Appropriation bills—good and essential as that may be. Just now it is a fit subject of inquiry whether any of the offices existing by express terms of law, and which—even though they should be known to be superfluous—the Administration is barred by statute from laying a hand upon, can be safely dispensed with. Does the public interest really require to have kept up, in the diffused and specific form originally established, nearly the whole of that immense civil machinery instituted during the war, when many times the present amount of work was to be done, when laws enacted for the emergency were strange and complicated, and when new systems had to be built up without the help of any useful precedent? Is there in this particular direction any room for excision, simplification or consolidation? The question comes directly home to Congress, and it is felt all the country over that the entire ground covered by the inquisitory should be closely and exhaustively ventured. It is all very well to entertain the issues of a Democratic campaign; but the people expect that eyes make sharp by such stimulus in national economics will be quite as keen and ready to survey other fields of proper legislative enterprise.

We have only to refer once more to the matter of internal revenue to show that that question has some features of moment to the country. In the year 1866 taxation had reached its highest limit, when $309,226,173 and were collected from that source, and $7,600,700, or 2.47 per cent., were expended in its collection. In 1869 the net collections were $130,822,544, and the expenses $7,215,616. Here was a reduction of taxation of $178,403,129, or nearly 160 per cent, while the expenses of collecting were diminished only $471,040. Now, it must be borne in mind that the major part of the work of assessing and collecting the revenue is compensation to local officers, including assistant assessors and assessors' clerks, who are paid a fixed salary, and that much of the local machinery is established by law; so that the law-making power is the only one competent to deal with it in the interest of economy. Our Revenue laws have been greatly simplified within two years; a vast number of taxable articles have been put on the free list, and the duties of assessing and collecting the remaining taxes immensely lightened. Consequently the force of officers acting under former laws should have been susceptible of a large reduction. Is Congress certain that a fair and adequate reduction has been made?

In all our large cities the system of revenue districts is still kept up, although the taxes and the labor incident to their collection have been cut down nearly one-half. In New-York City, we find seven separate establishments of this kind; in Brooklyn and its not remote environs three; in Boston two, and in most of the other populous centres more than one. It would seem that not only the interests of the country, but of the revenue service itself might be promoted by consolidating those districts where the territory is so nearly contiguous and the populations so homogeneous. At all events, were such consolidation safely practicable, it would lift a yet larger burden off the popular shoulders, and aid in giving the people that respite they have so well earned by their patriotism and self-devotion during the last nine years.

How Shall the Census be Taken?

The appointment of General F. A. WALKER as Superintendent of the Census is an important step in the much-vexed census question. It is important, because, as we showed the other day, the key of the whole matter lies in the proper choice of men and the proper assignment of duties to them. A practical statistician—and General WALKER is such, being at present at the head of the Statistical Bureau in the Revenue Office—will materially aid in disentangling the hard knot into which the House has tied this whole matter. We take it for granted, that the census labors of the House are substantially lost. The objections urged to its bill by Dr. SNOW, in the letter to Senator CONKLING, are enough to condemn it. The question now presented, therefore, is how to amend this bill so as to bring some order out of its chaos, and afford a rational hope of creditably taking the ninth census. The letter already spoken of presents some considerations on this point which we commend to the attention of the Senate Committee.

Manifestly, the various Departments, even as now constituted, have a sort of permanent census-taking machinery of their own, which can be used to advantage, especially since the time is now too short to obtain as large results as fit legislation at the outset would have given, and no possible aids or adjuncts are to be despised. Dr. SNOW tells us that the Departments of Agriculture and Education, for example, ought, by their own corps of observers and employes, to obtain better results in those two particulars than mere untrained enumerators of the population can achieve. And so with the Treasury statistics, which could embrace the entire subjects of finance and trade; "and the duty of obtaining information on these subjects," adds Dr. SNOW, "could not be committed to better hands." We may remark that the appointment of General WALKER as Commissioner would render it tolerably sure that this most important part of the census will not be neglected. So, in fine, by allowing all the various departments to do auxiliary work in census taking, to enter the ranks as allies, a great part of the enormous burden now imposed by the House bill will be taken off, and the question thereby much simplified.

For similar reasons, a gain may be made by employing special qualified agents, or experts, to collect certain kinds of statistics. So measureless and varied is the information required to be taken, that a single corps of enumerators, most of whom know little or nothing practically of the subjects they are required to gather information upon, will make but slow progress. Besides, these persons, being ignorant of the meaning of the questions put, will be deceived in the replies. They will be deceived both through their own ignorance and through the craft of the people whom they question. On the other hand, agents specially qualified could do double the work, in half the time, and their results would be immeasurably fuller and more accurate, because they themselves would understand the subjects of inquiry.

So, again, we are assured that public offices and institutions in various States—as prisons, reformatory institutions, hospitals, insane asylums, railway companies, educational bureaus, and so on—can furnish from their own records all the statistics desirable on many points, and much more fully and accurately than the enumerators could give them. These public bodies or institutions have carefully and deliberately reviewed these specialties, and all that is needed is to employ special qualified agents to compile from and digest their statistics for national use.

We trust that these plain and practical suggestions will receive due attention, because the most decisive work is that with false steps in legislation, an amount of work will be thrown upon the enumerators, greater than they can possibly perform.

Reform at the Eleventh Hour.

It is to be hoped that great practical good will result, and that quickly, from the measures which have been taken for the reform of the New-York Bar. Two things are perfectly obvious—that these proceedings have not been adopted a day too soon, and that the reformers have a difficult enterprise before them. Externally there are, of course, no obstructions. The stumbling blocks will present themselves within the boundaries of the local profession. The members of the Bar who have met to consider the need of radical changes are thoroughly in earnest, but they must know better than other people how little it would be to the interest of many of their professional brethren to see the proposed reform accomplished. A large proportion of advocates would prefer to carry on a business subject to no criticism or supervision. They are quite satisfied, if not with their present profits, at least with the way in which these profits are made. It would greatly interfere with their "connection" to compel them to conform with any code of honor save the very peculiar one which they invented for themselves, and which is based upon the idea of their worst clients.

The Reformers will have to fight against the open opposition of some and the silent and sullen resistance of many more. But they ought not to be deterred by this prospect from endeavoring to free their profession from the dark and grievous scandal which has gathered so thickly upon it. No respectable man would voluntarily rest under the odium which is popularly associated with the New-York Bar. The public cannot rightly apportion the blame between individuals. It can only look at affairs of this kind in the mass, and from the outside. It has the best of reasons for knowing that never did Bench and Bar stand lower in the estimation of civilized mankind than the Bar and Bench of New-York City. The members who do not deserve to be involved in the general condemnation owe it to themselves to come forward and let their dissatisfaction be known. The Judges may look upon the act with displeasure; but the time is fast coming when the Bench itself will be unable to exist in its present degraded state before the torrent of indignation which is rising steadily against it.

With regard to the precise means by which the Bar is to be "purified," the members who conferred together on Tuesday did wisely to begin at the beginning. They put forward the claim that they ought to have more control over admissions to the Bar, and that the laws "which have made access to the Bar as easy as to the theatre" ought to be abolished. This touches the root of the evil. When anybody and everybody can be a member of the Bar, what distinction or honor can it confer? What security is there against the admission of unworthy and incapable men? A positive and unerring safeguard of this nature it would, of course, be very hard to devise. The Bar in all countries has contained men who were a disgrace to it. But it is quite possible to set up a partial test. A few years ago it was found that a preliminary examination kept away a very undesirable class of applicants from the English Bar. It had formerly been the custom to admit any one to an Inn of Court as a student, provided the applicant paid certain fees, and complied with certain easy conditions. But afterwards an examination was ordered before the applicant could be admitted even as a student. It was not a very severe examination; but it acted as a sort of filter, and kept out men of the very class who in this City flock to the Bar for the express purpose of making it an instrument of corruption. An extension of that system here would certainly be productive of good results. Furthermore, it is quite practicable to place in the hands of the Bar itself greater power to punish those who are bringing it to disgrace. The reformers must agree upon the exact machinery to be employed, but the end is assuredly not unattainable.

No matter upon what measures they determine, we cannot but wish them success. A noble profession has been dragged in the dust, and the injury which the public has sustained in consequence can scarcely be overestimated. A man who consults with a lawyer ought to be able to trust in his honor as thoroughly as he would in that of his physician. Every one knows that there are many members of the Bar here who are so trusted. The speakers at the meeting on Tuesday night, and the names placed upon the Committee, are examples of this higher class. But there are also lawyers occupying a high position who have sold for a mess of pottage the heritage which they ought to have preserved. They cannot barter their good names without suffering the penalty in the loss of public esteem. It is an advocate's duty to give his services in all cases which do not involve his personal dishonor; but there are members of the New-York Bar who have disregarded that limitation. The time has arrived for making them sensible of the offence they have committed. The community is at length aroused to a full perception of the dangers which menace it in consequence of a corrupt Judiciary and a degraded Bar. The bonds which hold civilized society together are going to pieces. We are living as if in a state of siege, our matters being the outcasts of every nation and people on the face of the earth. All that happens to a murderer now is to be kept in gentle confinement at the public expense. The public, we may depend upon it, will have no more of this vast abuse. Every fresh crime stirs up a deeper feeling. With civil justice it is the same. The people are weary of seeing Judges and counsel joining with chartered swindlers in one common league against law and right. It was inevitable that an end should come to so monstrous a confederation. We believe that above the din and confusion which at every and average man's elevation are already discernible the beginning of the end.

During the present week, while the attention of the country has been almost entirely engrossed by the honors paid to the memory of GEORGE PEABODY, his great philanthropist, the remains of two others who did the best good service in the hour of its direst need have been committed to their final resting place. In Louisville, Ky., on Sunday, the body of General LOVELL H. ROUSSEAU was committed to the earth, and in New-London, Conn., on Tuesday, that of General JOSEPH A. MOWER was laid in the grave. They had both done a warrior's work and both had done it well. When the war had closed both had sided in the reconstruction of Louisiana, and it is a curious circumstance that one died on the first anniversary of the death of the other. Their good deeds were of a different order from those of GEORGE PEABODY, but they were not less honorable to them and not less worthy of remembrance by a grateful country.

The Tribune says that the national debt "was reduced not quite four millions of dollars in January," and remarks upon that: "It strikes us that ye Sun's urgently need to reduce our revenue if that is all we can pay in a month." Rather it should have asked whether it is desirable to keep up a war rate of taxation under pretence of paying off the debt, when all that we can pay off in a month is four millions of dollars! Lower the expenditure and lower the taxes, too—by that means block will the pressure on the nation be relieved.

There appears to be no doubt about the intention of the Democrats in the Legislature to place the Police force in this City under the exclusive control of their own agents. The clever satire in *Harper's Weekly* of a recent date is likely to become merely a life-like representation of our condition. The Republican Commissioners are to be swept away, and then the Commissioners (all Democratic) are to be endowed to "remove without cause the Superintendent of Police, the Captains, Sergeants, &c." An excellent arrangement. We hope the Republicans who were too lazy to go to the polls at the last election will like it when they see how it works.

One point which the public will wish to have cleared up, in connection with the Hudson-street murder, is, whether or not the murderer poisoned "political influence." We are much afraid that he does—that he has enjoyed the distinction of being a "shoulder hitter," "ballot-box stuffer," or some other responsible official under the Democratic flag. For the *World* spoke of him yesterday as the "poor, drunken fellow REYNOLDS, who, while in a state of worse than beastly intoxication, murdered WILLIAM TOWNSEND"—not "poor" WILLIAM TOWNSEND, be it observed. Sergeant M. TUCK, who arrested the prisoner, testified before the Coroner that REYNOLDS was only "*slightly* under the influence of liquor at the time." But even if the plea put forward by the *World* could be substantiated, is it to be accepted as a justification for murder? Is every drunken man to be licensed to take a human life? If that once came to be understood we should very soon have more murdered men in the City than the graveyards could hold, for drunkenness is not at all an uncommon vice nowadays.

For the third time during his present expedition, an authoritative report is made as to the death of the great African explorer, Dr. LIVINGSTONE. The present story is the most horrible of the three, inasmuch as it announces that he has been burned as a wizard. There is, perhaps, no living man whose movements are at the moment regarded with so much solicitude by every nation in the civilized world as the illustrious Scottish traveler, and it would be inexpressibly sad, if after surmounting perils and hardships almost without example in modern travel, the intrepid pioneer were found to have succumbed to a fate so dreadful. Let us hope that it may prove to be be better founded than the rumors which have preceded it.

Nothing has yet been done towards the removal of the colossal nuisance in Fifth-avenue. The miserable "pavement" is splitting asunder in fresh places almost every hour, as if a volcano stood beneath it. Horses fall in the yawning chasms, and wayfarers sink in mud over their ankles. When is the disgrace to be removed from the City? Can the Common Council, which brought us into trouble, do nothing towards carrying us out of it?

There has been no truer remark made in Congress this session than that of a Representative on the question of reducing the taxation. He said that it was most in any sense an issue involving the fidelity of Republicans to their party. We have insisted upon this over and over again, but there are those who are still anxious to make a party question of it. They commit a great mistake, if only for the reason that the bulk of the people is in favor of the course Mr. DAWES and others have advocated. Even General BUTLER cannot excommunicate the nation. We see that the Administration itself is not agreed in reference to the finances. The President and the Secretary of the Treasury do not by any means recommend the same measures to the people. The subject ought to be discussed upon its merits, without the introduction of threats towards individual members.

M. OLLIVIER has been well chosen by the French Emperor to deal with the combative spirits of the Legislative Body—he is combative himself, and above much science in his way of thrusting and parrying. He and GAMBETTA had an hour of "prattling exercise" the other day in the usual parliamentary French style. GAMBETTA had said the Minister only needed some more nerve to avoid an outbreak, and OLLIVIER had retorted that GAMBETTA only needed a shade of patriotism. When the Senate report appeared next day, the Minister's nerve had the ascendant words, and GAMBETTA, who "protested he had a conscience," and so that vivid interpretation followed in the Chamber, punctuated with quotations, apostrophes, exclamations and ejaculations. No doubt it is a piece of good policy to encourage those explosions in the Legislature, since they satisfy a French necessity and act as "safety valves" for the State engine.

The Dominion of Canada enters early upon the career of glory which elder communities would be glad enough to be alone. The Winnipegians are, it seems, to be protected against in the Spring, and Bellerophon boats are to be constructed for the purpose of inland navigation of a warlike character. On the other hand, it is said that RIEL is captured, and that the disputed territory is simply handed back to the Hudson Bay Company to hold for the present. Perhaps the rumor of coming troubles had to do with the leader's capture, and in this way both stories may be strictly true. The whole affair betrays incompetence somewhere. The Company was [illegible] and the natives [illegible] to have found out, before they sent him, whether the act disavowed was acceptable or not to the people.

There have not been wanting prophecies that the only settlement possible for disturbed Spain would be found in the elevation of General PRIM to the supreme control of the country. The names of KING, President and DICTATOR have all been mentioned as his probable designations, and respect may be fairly given, why they may be not improperly used. Certainly PRIM does hold Spain in his grasp to-day, and while he dissolves ambition, nothing can be done against his will. The process of KING selection is, of course, fairly proceeded with, and name after name is presented. But none suit, and the range of choice is nearly exhausted. When the advocates of a monarchy for Spain have got to the end of their list of candidates, then comes the question—is there, then, to be a Republic? By all means, PRIM may reply—with him at the head of it. What difference does it make what he chooses to call himself? Paris is shrewd, and knows the relative value of substance and shadow.

We wish a memorial similar to that just presented to the Massachusetts Legislature for reform in prison management, could be urged upon the attention of lawmakers in every State of the Union. This memorial protests against the present horrible huddling of prisoners of all ages, natures, temperaments and degrees of crime into the same penal institutions—a process in which the comparatively innocent become trained and instructed by the hardened and hopeless. Without a careful classification of prisoners, say the memorialists, all influences and efforts for reformation will be thwarted; and we believe with them that the State undertaking to "reform" prisoners, often by its carelessness or ignorance in this respect only puts them up in nurseries of vice and crime. The petitioners make a special point of asking for entirely separate prisons for female convicts, "under the charge of judicious and philanthropic women, subject to the advice of a board of men and women of known judgment and ability." This recommendation is based on the belief that a total separation of men from women is hardly practicable in prisons where both sexes are inmates, while, in many cases, the personal assigned to take charge of female convicts are utterly unfit for their work. It seems to us that on every possible ground—propriety, justice, humanity and even economy—this separation of female convicts into prisons specially designed for them is desirable. We believe that there they could be inspired with the aim to live honorable and virtuous lives, as they now never can be. They would at least have their self-respect appealed to, and the means as well as the motives for improvement would be more efficient.

To-day we are able to announce that the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States has been ratified by the required number of States. Yesterday both Houses of the Legislature of Georgia recorded their votes by decisive majorities in its favor, and thus completed the list of twenty-eight States necessary. Nebraska and Texas may yet to record their votes in its favor; but these, although gratifying, are not necessary. The States which have declared that "the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State, on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude; and that the Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation," are:

Alabama,	Maine,	North Carolina,
Arkansas,	Massachusetts,	Ohio,
Connecticut,	Michigan,	Pennsylvania,
Florida,	Minnesota,	Rhode Island,
Georgia,	Mississippi,	South Carolina,
Illinois,	Missouri,	Vermont,
Indiana,	Nevada,	Virginia,
Iowa,	New-Hampshire,	West Virginia,
Kansas,	New-York,	Wisconsin.
Louisiana,		

AMUSEMENTS.

Music.

THE PAREPA ENGLISH OPERA TROUPE.

Our neighbors of Brooklyn will have an opportunity next Tuesday at their Academy of Music to hear the excellent Parepa English Opera Troupe in WALLACE'S "Maritana." The company afterwards are to continue their travels in the country, and will return to the Metropolis in time to open for a season at the New-York Academy of Music on March 14. They will then bring out "The Marriage of Figaro," "Der Freischutz," and other operas—all in English, of course—not previously included here in their repertory.

"WILLIAM TELL" AT THE ACADEMY.

"William Tell" was better sung last night at the Academy than on any occasion that we have heard it here. To our surprise, Signor LEBRANO was in fine voice, and his *Arnolfo* was received with immense satisfaction. Both as regards evenness of quality and facile success in the more striking achievements that always move his audience to enthusiasm, Signor LEBRANO was at his highest pitch of excellence; and although a sympathetic ear, accustomed to his singing, could undoubtedly detect here and there traces of fatigue, they could not be said to mar the general effect of his performance. Mme. BRIOT was likewise at her best in *Matilda*, and well deserved the hearty applause she received. Signor RAPPO was very good as *William Tell*, and so was Mlle. LAGI as *Jemmy*. The choruses were prompt and strong, and the orchestra, if at times a little too noisy, was otherwise nearly all that could be wished. Nothing indeed was wanted but the expected presence of Prince ARTHUR to complete the satisfaction of a well-filled house, and to round off in conformity with the general hope one of the most brilliant evenings of the opera season. On Friday the public are promised Meyerbeer's "Dinorah."

ORGAN RECITAL.

The third of the organ recitals which Mr. S. P. WARREN is giving in the Jayne hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, took place yesterday afternoon. Miss Marion Grandison assisted Mr. WARREN, and her rich contralto voice was enjoyed by all present. Of the organ music, a prelude to a sonata by MENDELSSOHN was remarkably good, pedal playing, while on six and variations in A flat by THIELE—an exceedingly brilliant piece—displayed very well the organist's complete command of his instrument. But the gems of the programme were a canon in A by FRICKEN, and the andante and finale of a sonata in E flat by FIEK; the latter, for sweetness and beauty, could hardly be excelled. The date of the next recital is not yet announced.

MR. LEVY'S CONCERT.

The farewell concert of Mr. J. LEVY Sears in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association this evening. The wonderful playing of Mr. LEVY will no doubt carry away, as usual, the audience, while cornet lovers will also find pleasure will be afforded by the very finished performance of Mlle. MARIE on the piano, and by the vocal and instrumental contributions of half a score of accomplished artists.

Prince Arthur's Movements Yesterday.

Prince ARTHUR arrived at the Continental here yesterday morning, notwithstanding his disappointment of the previous night, and took a morning ride in the Park. Returning at about 9 o'clock he proceeded to the residence of Mr. A. T. STEWART, where he was presented at lunch. He then inspected Mr. STEWART's new house, and built A Very in his retail store. He then returned to the Continental to rest, and soon after set out on his second excursion to Central Park and upon the Boulevard. The Prince then returned and spent the remainder of the day at the Continental. To-day he will be taken in charge by General MCDOUGALL and visit the fortifications of the harbor. He dines with Mr. BELMONT, and in the evening goes to the Charity Ball at the Academy of Music.

WASHINGTON.

Passage of the Currency Bill in the Senate—The Fear of the Election—The Finance Bill Considered in Detail—The Gold Panic Investigation—Reconsideration.

(Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The Senate passed the Currency bill to-day substantially as indicated in these dispatches last night, namely: Going back to the original proposition to add forty-five millions of dollars to the national currency, and to withdraw from the North and East twenty instead of thirteen millions. The South and West thus get sixty-five millions under the proposed redistribution. The twenty millions is not, however, to be distributed until the forty-five millions is exhausted. The section authorizing the establishment of coin banks passed by a tie vote. Banks are to deposit United States bonds to an amount not exceeding eighty per cent. of the par value of such bonds.

THE WASHINGTON POOR.

The House wasted nearly the whole session to-day in discussing in Committee of the Whole the Senate bill appropriating $20,000 for the relief of the poor of the District. The Democrats seized the occasion to make buncombe speeches and to utter reflections and imputations upon the colored people in this District. A rather ridiculous and somewhat funny speech was made by Mr. KNOTT, of Kentucky, who evidently represents the Bourbon County district; being asked from the Republican side to yield for a question, he responded, with mock gravity, that he really believed that half the gentlemen on the other side been present when the Saviour delivered His sermon on the mount, they would have interrupted him and asked him to yield for a question. General SLOCUM got a shot at the Navy Department by moving an amendment that the same amount be appropriated for the relief of the families of the men thrown out of work at the navy yards by the recent order. Some sparring followed about the Navy Department expenditures, in which Sunset COX charged that the Navy Department had spent a whole year's appropriation in seven months, and Mr. DAWES volunteered the opinion that the expenditures were unwise. Happily it was only his opinion, so it didn't prove much of a sop to the Democrats, who are sitting at Mr. DAWES' feet to catch the crumbs of comfort which he scatters so freely. Finally, the House adjourned without final action, the question pending being whether this expenditure should be made under the direction of Mayor BOWEN's city government or the Provident Aid Society, there being a great deal of opposition to the present municipal organization here. This was all there was of moment in the House to-day.

SENATOR CHANDLER ON THE FINANCES.

Senator CHANDLER's position on the question of inflation has been incorrectly stated in these dispatches. His amendment to the Currency bill on Monday, to increase the amount of national bank circulation by fifty-five millions in addition to the forty-five millions to take the place of the three per cents, was accompanied with the expressed purpose of withdrawing fifty-five millions of greenbacks. Mr. CHANDLER is not in favor of inflation in any shape.

THE FUNDING BILL.

Senator SHERMAN hopes to be able to report the Funding bill to-morrow. A special meeting of the Committee will be held to-morrow to finish its consideration. The main features of the proposition were given in these dispatches on Tuesday morning.

THE GOLD PANIC.

The Banking and Currency Committee to-day examined Mr. COLLENDER, the National Bank Examiner of New-York, who made the examination of the Tenth National Bank immediately after the collapse of the Gold Ring; Mr. BARTLETT, Private Secretary to Secretary BOUTWELL; one or two messengers from the Treasury, and two telegraph operators, one each from the Franklin and Western Union Telegraph lines, the latter with reference to the precise time and manner in which the order of the Secretary to sell four millions of gold was sent to the Sub-Treasurer at New-York on the 24th of September. The evidence is said to show that it was sent, delivered, and the contents known publicly in the street, within twenty minutes from the time the order was written by Mr. BOUTWELL. The operators from New-York will be summoned to verify still more closely all facts about the delivery.

THE COLORED SENATOR.

Mrs. REVELS, the wife of the colored Senator elect from Mississippi, was in the Senate gallery to-day, while her husband occupied a seat on one of the sofas on the floor. Messrs. SUMNER and TIPTON proceeded to the gallery and were introduced to Mrs. REVELS by GEORGE T. DOWNING, the oysterman.

NEUTRALITY.

Mr. HOWE tried to convert Mr. SUMNER and others in the Senate, to-day, to his notions on neutrality and international obligations. He was listened to with a great deal of attention during the delivery of his speech on the bill to repeal the second, third, fifth, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh sections of the act of 1818. Mr. CARPENTER endeavored to obtain the floor to follow on the same subject, but a motion to adjourn prevailed.

THE FRANKING PRIVILEGE.

The question of the abolition of the franking privilege will probably be brought up in the Senate in a week or ten days. The total abrogation of the law on the subject is by no means as certain to pass in the Senate as many people suppose.

THE CENSUS BILL.

The bill of the House in relation to the census was taken up in the Senate this afternoon for a few minutes but received no consideration, it having been laid aside informally to enable progress to be made on other measures. It comes up to-morrow as the unfinished business. The only prediction safe to make on the subject is that the Senate will not pass the House bill.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.

Mr. FENTON presented a memorial of the citizens of Tonawanda, N. Y., for an appropriation of $10,000 by the Government to improve the harbor at that port; also, a petition of the veterans of the war of 1812, of Monroe County, N. Y., for pensions to the widows of deceased soldiers of the war of 1812. The petitions were appropriately referred.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

Mr. CHANDLER, in correction of a statement in the Washington correspondence of the NEW-YORK TIMES of Tuesday, explained that he had been classed among the Senators who, in the Currency chamber, when he had repeatedly stated that under no circumstances would he vote to inflate the currency to the amount of a single dollar.

THE JUDICIARY.

Mr. CARPENTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, a bill in regard to the resignation of Judges to certain cases, with a recommendation for its indefinite postponement; also, with an amendment to the bill to establish the office of Associate Justice of the Eastern District of Texas.

EQUAL RIGHTS.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, with amendments, Mr. FRAZAR's bill to secure to all persons the equal protection of the laws. The bill, as amended, is as follows:

Be it enacted, &c., That all persons within the jurisdiction of the United States shall have the same right in every State and Territory in the United States, to make and enforce contracts, to sue, be parties, give evidence, and to the full and equal benefit of all laws and proceedings for the security of person and property, as is enjoyed by white citizens, and shall be subject to the punishments, pains, penalties, taxes, licenses and exactions of every kind, and none other, any law, statute, ordinance, regulation or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding. No tax or charge shall be imposed or exacted by any State upon any person emigrating thereto, or by reason of his residence therein, whether any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, or custom, shall declare or cause to be exacted any inhabitant of any State or Territory to the deprivation of any rights or privileges enjoyed by the citizens, or to different punishment, pains or penalties on account of such person being an alien, or by reason of his color or race, than is prescribed for the punishment of citizens, shall be deemed a violation of this act, and, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $1,000, or imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the Court.

SEC. 2. That the "act to protect all persons in the [illegible]

[illegible] the bill granting lands to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from Portland to Astoria and McMinnville, in the State of Oregon. After debate it was laid over.

On motion of Mr. CAMERON, the Senate took up the bill to extend until Feb. 7, 1870, the time for the completion of a lateral branch of the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad through the District of Columbia. This also was discussed for a short time and then laid over.

THE CURRENCY BILL.

The Currency bill was then taken up, and the Senate proceeded to consider the amendments to the bill reported from the Committee of the Whole.

The amendments were then separately voted upon and adopted.

Mr. MORTON submitted an amendment, in the nature of a compromise, to fix the amount of currency authorized by the bill at $45,000,000, and to provide that the additional issue may be taken from the States having an excess of circulation after the others had been exhausted.

Other amendments were rejected.

A motion to strike from the bill the fourth, fifth and sixth sections, which authorize banks on a coin basis, was lost by a tie vote—yeas 29, nays 29.

The bill was then passed by a vote of yeas 49, nays 20, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Abbott, Anthony, Bayard, Buckingham, Cameron, Chandler, Corbett, Davis, Dixon, Gilbert, Hamlin, Marian, Harris, Howard, Howell, Johnston, Kellogg, McCreery, Morton, Patterson, Pool, Pratt, Ramsey, Ross, Robertson, Sawyer, Schurz, Sherman, Spencer, Stewart, Thayer, Tipton, Trumbull, Warner, Willey, Williams, Wilson—49.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Bayard, Buckingham, Carpenter, Casserly, Cole, Conkling, Edmunds, Ferry, Fenton, Fowler, Hagan, Hamilton, Morrill, McDonald, Merrill of Maine, Morrill of Vermont, Norton, Pomeroy, Root, Stockton, Sumner, Thurman, Vickers—20.

AMERICAN NEUTRALITY AND CUBA.

Mr. HOWE, on leave, addressed the Senate in support of the bill recently introduced by him more effectually to preserve the neutral relations of the United States.

The bill repeals sections of the act of 1818, which forbids the hiring of an American citizen to serve in a foreign army, or his being forced for that purpose, and also forbids the fitting out from ports contained in building, fitting out or equipping vessels designed to cruise against any foreign Power with whom we are at peace.

Mr. CONKLING said he understood the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. CARPENTER) and others desired to be heard upon this bill, and as he was desirous of calling up the Census bill, he proposed the Senate should determine upon that course of procedure which would be preferable.

Considerable discussion ensued, and without affording any understanding upon the subject, the Senate, at 5:15 o'clock, adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Messrs. POLAND, GARFIELD and COX as Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

PETITIONS.

Petitions were presented as follows:

By Messrs. REEVES and STARKWEATHER—For the abolition of the franking privilege.

By Mr. KELLOGG—From the Meriden Cutlery Company, the Meriden Cutlery, and the Stanley Hardware Company, against an increase of duty on steel.

By Mr. STARKWEATHER—From the Norwich Lock Manufacturing Company, for the same purpose; also, from the shipbuilders of Noank and Mystic, Conn., for legislation in aid of commercial and shipbuilding interests.

By Mr. SCOFIELD—For price-money for the capture of the rebel steamer *Florida*, at Bahia, Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. CLARK presented a memorial of the Kansas Legislature in favor of a readjustment of the apportionment of representation in the several States.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BOOTH introduced a bill to amend the act of April 10, 1869, extending time for the completion of the road and telegraph of the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad. Referred.

Mr. TAFFE introduced a bill to amend the act regulating trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes. Referred.

Mr. CLARK introduced a bill to dispose of the Cherokee neutral lands in Kansas to actual settlers only. Referred.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. PAINE introduced a joint resolution to authorize the Secretary of War to provide for taking observations at the military observation stations and other points in the interior of the continent, and for giving notice on the Northern lakes and seaboard of the approach of storms. Passed.

Mr. SARGENT offered a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information as to the jurisdiction of the General Government over Sandy Hook and the neck of land extending for several miles above the horseshoe between Sandy Hook Bay and the Shrewsbury River, and calling for a copy of the agreement between the War Department and the Long Branch and Sea Shore Railroad Company, giving right of way over Government property. Adopted.

CUBAN RECOGNITION.

Mr. LOGAN offered a resolution

Declaring that the people of Cuba have for more than six years maintained an active hostility against Spain for the purpose that they have established and still maintain a de facto Government, and now engage with their armies, and control a large portion of the island, and instructing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to inquire what reason, if any, exists why the Republic of Cuba should not be recognized by the United States Government as a belligerent.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Bills were reported from the Committee on Foreign Affairs as follows:

By Mr. JUDD—To enable the Court of Claims to hear and determine the case of E. DENEMAN, a subject of the King of Prussia. The bill was passed.

By Mr. KASSON—To authorize Commodore Commander W. R. KIMBLAND, of the United States Navy, to accept a gold medal from the Emperor of France. Which was passed.

By Mr. PAINE—Authorizing Commander CHARLES H. BALDWIN, of the United States Navy, to accept a gold medal from the King of the Netherlands. Which was passed.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Judiciary Committee, reported back the bill to establish a uniform system of naturalization. Recommitted.

Mr. ARCHER, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a bill for the relief of the officers and crew of the United States ship *Wyoming*. Recommitted.

RIGHTS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS.

Mr. SWAN, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, to which was referred a resolution in reference to the treatment of American citizens in the prisons of Great Britain for political offences, made a report, closing with the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the President of the United States communicate to this House, if not incompatible with the public interest, any information which may have come to his knowledge concerning American citizens, who are imprisoned in Ireland, who may be at this time confined in the jails or prisons of Great Britain for political offences, and any facts in relation to the treatment of such prisoners which he may feel at liberty to communicate.

The report states that while expressing no opinion on the truth or falsity of the statements brought to the notice of the Committee, the Committee deems it its duty to express cordial sympathy in the subject of the resolution so far as to cooperate in the endeavor to procure the fullest information of the facts involved, not only as a duty of Christian charity, but of obligation to adopted citizens. The Government should require, whenever occasion arises, a measure of international right as well as justice, that no American citizen, whether native or naturalized, should be imprisoned in any country or by any people, without prompt and ample reparation.

Mr. SWANN addressed the House in support of the resolution.

Mr. COX, who had offered the original resolution, also addressed the House. He asked no hurried, or indignant, or indecorous action, only the inquiry which by this Government in the spirit of comity, and in the interest of civilization and humanity.

Mr. WILSON, of Minnesota, followed on the same side.

Mr. WILLARD spoke on the opposite side of the question, declaring that any identifying the Government with the Fenian organization was unwise and untimely, and below the dignity of the House.

The morning hour expired, and the further consideration of the subject went over until the next morning hour.

THE DISCHARGED NAVY YARD EMPLOYES.

Mr. DAWES asked the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations to state whether that Committee had considered any measure for the relief of the large number of mechanics discharged from the navy yards in various parts of the country.

Mr. DAWES replied that a bill for that purpose was before the Committee, and would probably be reported to-morrow morning after a conference with the Navy Department.

THE REVISION OF COLUMBIA POOR.

On motion of Mr. COX, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. FERRY in the chair, and took up the Senate bill appropriating $20,000 for the poor of the District of Columbia, allowing $10,000 of condemned army clothing to be distributed, and assigning storehouses in Judiciary square to the Women's Christian Association to give employment to indigent women. The bill gave rise to considerable discussion, Messrs. COX, MAYNARD and INGERSOLL explaining and advocating it; Messrs. SWANN and LAWRENCE taking the ground that the people of the District should maintain their own poor; and Mr. LOGAN arguing that the proper mode of relief was not to appropriate money to be used, perhaps, for election purposes—but to authorize the Secretary of War to issue daily rations to the poor.

Mr. LOGAN offered an amendment to carry out his views, and in the course of his remarks said that if the intemperate people of Washington would devote to sobriety the money spent in fashionable receptions and personal entertainments, they would not need to ask Congress to maintain their poor.

Messrs. BENJAMIN and LAWRENCE offered amendments to authorize the Municipal authorities of Washington and Georgetown to levy a tax for the support of their poor, and Mr. BLOCHE offered an amendment to give $10,000 to these poor persons recently deprived of employment in the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Mr. KNOTT argued that a large proportion of the proposed participants on the bounty of Congress [illegible]

[illegible] gress [illegible] physicians [illegible] than [illegible] and further, [illegible] would tend to draw to this District hundreds of persons from the South who would be voters to [illegible] interests.

Messrs. SLOCUM and COX made some remarks about the Gosport Navy Yard, the latter saying that the Navy Department had spent in seven months the appropriation intended to cover the year.

Mr. DAWES said he did not know exactly why so many men had been thrown out of employment in two bureaus of the Navy Department, but he apprehended it arose from the desire to put new machinery in large number of ships than ever before, and from the consequent employment of a greater number of men than usual. He expressed the whole thing lay in the employment of too many men in the early part of the year, rather than extending it over the whole year.

Mr. HAWLEY—Yes; just before an election.

Mr. DAWES—I do not understand anything of that kind.

Mr. RANDALL—Well, it is the fact.

The discussion was further continued in behalf of the bill by Messrs. COOK, TWICHELL, HAMILTON, of Florida, and SARGENT; in favor of Mr. LOGAN's amendment by Mr. BOYD, and against the bill and amendment by Mr. MORGAN, the latter charging that the Secretary of the Navy had, by an order of that officer dated May 22, 1869, without the authority of Congress, increased by one-third the pay of the navy officers which increase had taken from the treasury, from 1869 to 1869, $2,702,000.

Mr. DAWES explained that Congress had, by subsequent appropriation, legalized that order, but admitted in answer to a question by Mr. MORGAN that he for one did not know at the time such an appointment was made that it was to be applied to that purpose.

Mr. ELA closed the discussion by an appeal in behalf of the poor of the District, and then the Committee proceeded to vote on the amendments.

Mr. SLOCUM's amendment was rejected by a vote of 42 to 84.

Mr. LAWRENCE's amendment was rejected by a vote of 64 to 79.

Mr. LOGAN's amendment for the issuing of rations by the War Department, leaving the other portions of the bill for clothing, &c., as in the original, was rejected by a tie vote—yeas 74, nays 74.

The Committee then rose, and the House, without disposing finally of the bill, at 4:30 o'clock adjourned.

The Currency Bill as Passed.

The following is the Currency bill as passed by the Senate:

Be it enacted, &c., That $45,000,000 in notes for circulation be issued by the national banking associations in addition to the $300,000,000 authorized by the act approved June 3, 1864, and the act of March 3, 1865, relative to the issue of national currency, secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," approved June 3, 1864, and the amount of the notes to be issued to the banks in the territories, or to banking associations organized, or to be organized in those States and Territories having less than their proportion under the apportionment herein provided for, shall be apportioned by the Comptroller of the Currency, in such manner as will secure a national currency secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof, as nearly in accordance with the new apportionment of the circulation hereinbefore provided for shall be made as soon as practicable, based upon the census of 1870.

SEC. 2. That on the first Tuesday of each month after the passage of this act it shall be the duty of the Comptroller of the Currency to report to the Secretary of the Treasury the amount of circulating notes issued to national banking associations during the previous month, whereupon the Secretary of the Treasury shall call on and retire an amount of the three per centum temporary loan certificates issued under the acts of March 3, 1867, and July 25, 1868, not less than the amount of such circulation so issued; and if it shall appear, in order to secure the presentation of such temporary loan certificates for redemption give notice to the holders thereof by publication or otherwise, that a sufficient amount of such certificates shall be designated by number, date and amount, shall cease to bear interest from and after the expiration of such notice, and the certificates so designated shall no longer be available as any portion of the lawful money reserve in possession of any national bank, and after such notice no interest shall be paid on such certificates, and they shall not be counted as a part of the reserve of any banking association.

SEC. 3. That after the expiration of six months from the passage of this act no national banking association, located in any State having more than its proportion of circulation, may be required to any State having less than its proportion of circulation, under such rules and regulations as the Comptroller of the Currency, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, may require. Provided that the amount of the issue of said banks shall not be deducted from the amount of new issue provided for in this act.

SEC. 4. That the interest upon all any United State bonds bearing interest, payable in gold, with the Treasury of the United States, in the manner prescribed in the ninetieth section of the act of the 30th of June, 1864, entitled "An act, it shall be lawful for the holder of the Currency, to issue to the associations making the same circulating notes of different denominations not less than five dollars, not exceeding in amount the value of the part or portion of the bonds deposited, which notes shall bear upon their face the promise of the association to which they are issued to pay them upon presentation at the office of the association located in Washington City, or in New-York City, an amount of bonds deposited to the said bank as security for its circulation equal to the circulation to be withdrawn from such bank, and with the proceeds to redeem so much of the bonds so deposited for the purpose of the Treasury as will equal the amount required from it, and shall pay the balance to such banks, provided, that no circulation shall be withdrawn from States having in excess until after the forty-five millions granted in the first section, have been taken up.

A Barroom Fight—Reddy the Blacksmith almost Killed.

At the corner of Broadway and Houston-street, within a stone's throw of the Police Headquarters, and but little further from the Eighth Precinct Station House, is a basement saloon known as Florence's, which has been for a long time a resort for thieves, all perfectly well known to the Police. This den was last night the scene of a recontre in which Reddy the Blacksmith was placed, if not permanently, at least for many weeks to come, beyond the possibility of doing any harm of any kind whatever. "Reddy" was drunk, and as usual when in this condition, was quarrelsome. His propensity had ample opportunity, for there were other thieves at hand who were also drunk and equally ready for a fight. Under this conjunction of circumstances a fight speedily began and was as speedily ended, by "Reddy" being laid bleeding and insensible on the floor by a blow from a huge glass, which laid open his forehead, and a fearful cut upon the left hand with which he caught a fragment of the glass as he fell. There was an immediate stampede of the thieves, and "Reddy" was found by the Police as insensible as a pile of blood-stained flesh. He was carried to the Eighth Precinct Station House. Captain McDERMOTT summoned a surgeon with all possible haste, and by reason of his diligence there is great danger that "Reddy" will eventually recover. He will not, however, soon be a terror to the street assaults he has been wont to believe. Hospital in a critical condition. The Police did not make and arrest, nor even discover the name of the benefactor of the City; but it was subsequently rumored that the person entitled to the distinction is one JIMMY HAGGERTY, an ominous bird of passage having a permanent nest in Philadelphia, whither he has probably already flown.

Arrival of the Steamship Eagle.

The steamship *Eagle*, from Havana Jan. 29, arrived at this port last night. Her news, though interesting, is not important. She brings some particulars of the disaster to General PUELLO.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

EUROPE.

Freedom of Debate in the French Chambers—Being "Bulldozed" Americans Journals—The English Government Telegraph Executive Submitting Rumors Regarding Dr. Livingstone.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—In the Corps Legislatif today the proposition of M. GREVY that the President of the Chambers have the right to demand an armed force when necessary to insure the freedom of their deliberations, was debated. MM. JULES FAVRE and EMMANUEL ARAGO made speeches, in which they recalled the fact that a similar demand was made in the Chambers ten days before the *coup d'état* of 1851, but was then rejected. After an exciting debate the proposal of M. GREVY was defeated by a vote of 217 against 45.... The Government has begun to make the much-talked protectoral changes; but so far the promotions and appointments have been of little importance....License has been given for the performance of VICTOR HUGO's drama in this city....A public meeting was dissolved by the authorities last night because one of the speakers compared M. OLLIVIER to Judas Iscariot.... The Paris to-day alludes to the rumors about an expected reduction in the army and navy, and asserts that it has reason to believe that they are without foundation. It expresses the opinion that the present military and naval forces of the country are not too large....Files of American journals due here over a week ago were distributed to their subscribers this afternoon.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—According to the provisions of the act of Parliament, empowering the Government to take possession of the telegraph lines of the Kingdom, the Treasury Department yesterday paid £726,000 sterling for the cable connecting England with Germany, by way of the Island of Nordeney.... The *Globe*, correcting a statement made by the *Times*, says the objections to treaties with China are confined to doubts about the faithful observance of their stipulations by the Chinese....A letter has been received here from Captain COCHRANE, of the Royal Navy, commanding the *Petrel*, stationed on the African coast. He reports that Dr. DAVID LIVINGSTONE, the celebrated African traveler, had been buried as a wizard by a chief in the interior.

BERLIN, Feb. 2.—The faculty of the University of Breslau have congratulated Dr. DOLLINGER on his opposition to the declaration of Papal infallibility.

ROME, Feb. 2.—Since the assembling of the Council yet its members have died, and four have left the city.

MADRID, Feb. 2.—In the Cortes to-day Señor CASTELLAR made an effective speech against the payment of the clergy by the State.

CUBA.

The Feeling Over the Killing of Castanon—Another Version of the Affair—Castanon the Aggressor.

HAVANA, Feb. 2.—The funeral of CASTANON took place at noon to-day. The procession which followed the remains to the grave occupied two hours in passing a given point, and is considered the largest of the kind ever seen in this city. Captain-General DE RODAS announces in a public order to-day that he will take the children of the deceased under his special protection. The assassination of CASTANON continues to be the general topic of discussion....At Matanzas, last night, the volunteers, excited by the Castanon affair, assembled in the square in front of the Governor's Palace and called for ACEVEDO and HERNANDEZ, who were imprisoned for having concealed arms in their houses. The volunteers made loud threats and fired muskets in the air. The Governor came forward and made a tranquilizing speech, but firmly refused to deliver up the prisoners. The volunteers lingered in the place until morning, when they dispersed without doing further mischief. The steamer *Morro Castle*, from New-York, arrived this morning.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 2.—Dr. HODA, a prominent Cuban, telegraphed to Key West to ascertain if it was true that CASTANON, editor of the *Voz de Cuba*, had been cowardly assassinated by Cubans, as reported, and received the following reply:

KEY WEST, Feb. 1.

To J. J. Hoda, New-Orleans:

Untrue. CASTANON slapped Cuban's face. Adversary fired, killing him.

MEXICO.

Gloomy Aspect of Affairs—The Revolution Gaining Strength—The Perils of Civil War Impending.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 2.—News from Mexico, via Brownsville, represents that the revolutionary party in Mexico is daily growing in strength. Generals MACIAS, ZAREQUI, ESPINOSA, DAVILLE, and others are organizing troops to aid the rebels. The Vera Cruz *Esperanza* says: "The situation of Mexico grows worse every day, and even those who seemed to have more confidence in the future, now bow down their heads under the weight of a bitter disappointment. No means can be found to avert the storm which threatens to sink our unfortunate country in the horrors of a civil war. The revolution has broken out in the States of Puebla, San Luis Potosi, Guanajuato, Queretaro, and Michoacan, and in vain the Government attempts to overcome it with its troops."

GEORGIA.

Reorganization of the Legislature Completed—Ratification of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 2.—The General Assembly received a message from the Governor, including correspondence with General TERRY, in which he (General TERRY) acknowledges the Governor's notification of the organization of the General Assembly, and informs the Governor that both Houses are now properly organized for the purpose of assenting to and complying with the conditions imposed by Congress for the restoration of the State to its original relations with the nation. The Governor reviews the action of the old organization in expelling the colored members, and quotes the several acts of Congress relative to the reconstruction of the late rebel States. He also reviews General TERRY's report of Aug. 14, and the action and report to Congress of the Judiciary Committee appointed to investigate the credentials of JOSHUA HILL, Senator elect from Georgia. He recapitulates facts covering the political history of the State from the adoption of the act of March 2, 1867, declaring that until the people of a rebel State are admitted to representation in Congress, the Civil Government that exists shall be provisional only, subject to the paramount authority of the United States at any time to abolish, modify, control or supersede the same. Up to this time that right reserved by Congress has never been withdrawn, nor has it expired through any legal act of Georgia. The Governor recommends the ratification of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, and concludes with a caution for the good of the whole people and the hope that citizen's worth may be determined by his own efforts, neither advanced nor retarded by birth, color, religion or politics.... The House ratified the Fourteenth Amendment unanimously, and the Fifteenth by a vote of 102 to 24. The Senate ratified both the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments by a vote of 27 to 12. Both Houses adjourned until the 14th inst.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 2.—The workmen employed on the BARNARD and MCGOWAN's canal decreasing contract, between this city and the summit, this morning struck for higher wages. They demand $2. The strikers number about 400.

TORONTO, Canada, Feb. 2.—Judge MORRISON this morning decided not to interfere with the judgment of the Court of Common Pleas in the Gould extradition case, so the prisoner stands committed for extradition.

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 2.—The office of the Black River Railroad Company at this place was entered by burglars last night. Bonds to the amount of $60,000 were taken; but they are worthless, as the signatures were forged on them. The thieves also took $60 in currency.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 2.—The Grand Jury have found true bills against Felipe Pollara, late Collector, and his associates, W. C. Gray, F. A. De Wolf, Robert S. Sprague, W. A. West and Marks Dinkelspiel. Five affidavits have been made, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the Government of the revenue.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 2.—The Washington House, on Main-street, with most of the furniture, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is about $35,000.

ALLENTOWN, Penn., Feb. 2.—A young man named JOHN GORMAN, an engineer at the Lehigh Rolling Mill, was crushed to death by the falling of a large chimney, and drawn over the shaft, crushing him into a shapeless mass.

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 1.—BENJAMIN GLEASON, well known to the older residents of this city, and who had lived a mark of hermit life for several years, died in the jail on Mechanics-street, where he had lived in his bed last night.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 2.—The receipts of the revenue Department (exclusive of internal revenue) during the year 1869 for premiums were $8,361,626. The receipts in less were a little over eight millions, the increase during the last year being over half a million.

ALBANY, Feb. 2.—JAMES and JOHN MCABERY, who were arrested here to-day for possession frauds, formerly resided in Oswego.

THE TOWNSEND TRAGEDY.

No Abatement of Public Indignation.

Another Interview with Reynolds—"If He is Sorry, He Doesn't Know It"—Further Aid for the Townsend Family.

The public sentiment of horror and indignation so signally evoked by the wanton murder of Townsend the grocer, in Hudson street, does not appear to be in any degree abated throughout the City. The crime formed one of the principal topics of conversation, and the course of the Times in connection therewith was generally commended. The universal expression of opinion was that the crime of murder must be stamped and promptly dealt with, else no man was safe. Citizens speaking of the Townsend murder were unanimous in the opinion that if such crimes were to go unpunished, human life would be imperiled, for the murderous hand of some ruffian might be raised, before the day expired, against their own lives.

A singular instance of the ruffianly element was to be noticed in the City Hall Park yesterday forenoon, when a drunken rowdy rampaged around the Park, deliberately jostling unoffending citizens who happened in his path. At each rencontre the ruffian sought to fasten a quarrel upon his intended victims, which was generally avoided by them through a quick retreat. The bully staggered about for over half an hour, when he met his match, for rudely pushing against a citizen who was evidently unaccustomed to such amusements, the latter retorted by quietly knocking his assailant down. The fellow regained his feet with a ludicrous air of astonishment on his face, and disappeared in the crowd on Broadway.

REYNOLDS, THE MURDERER.

One of the TIMES representatives visited the Tombs Prison yesterday, and through the courtesy of Warden DUACOS, was admitted to cell No. 11, occupied by JOHN REYNOLDS, alias Sylvester Brazan. As the iron door was locked behind the TIMES visitor REYNOLDS appeared pleased to see him, and rose from his mattress with an air of relief. The cell is a bare and comfortless one and the prisoner was conning the pictures in the last issue of Harper's Magazine, left by the previous occupant. In this occupant had been easily seen by the following memorandum pencilled on the rough wall:

"Owen Clark has been Confined for 5 months In This Cell Held for Been Accusing to the murder of his aunt Barnum Wooster Wheat was killed by her husband John Wooster.

Woore is his name."

Taking his seat on the bed, our reporter inquired if REYNOLDS wished to make any statement or find his friends. If so, the visitor would do all he could to help him. The following conversation took place:

REPORTER—JACK, you said on Monday that your real name was SYLVESTER BRAZAN. Is that the truth?

PRISONER—Yes, you may rely on that.

REPORTER—And you came from the County of Louth, Ireland, as you said then?

PRISONER—Yes, sir, that's the truth.

At this moment one of the keepers appeared at the cell door with a new visitor.

KEEPER—See here, REYNOLDS, we want you a moment.

PRISONER, (stepping to the door)—Well?

KEEPER—Don't you remember me?

PRISONER, (with a smile)—No.

KEEPER—Yes you do, and I know you. We had you here before. No answer.

VISITOR—My man, what motive could you have had in killing that poor fellow with so many children?

PRISONER—I don't know.

KEEPER—I think I do you any harm?

PRISONER—Oh, no, I guess not.

VISITOR—Ain't you sorry for what you've done?

PRISONER—I don't know.

KEEPER—Well, you're the quietest specimen I ever saw, any day.

VISITOR—You cannot be human when you say you're not sorry for your crime.

PRISONER—I guess so, but I'm not sorry that I knew it.

VISITOR—You're in a bad scrape young man.

PRISONER, (anxiously)—What do you think they'll do with me?

VISITOR—That's for a jury to decide.

These two men then disappeared, and another visitor stopped at the door, attracted by the name on the slate overhead.

SECOND VISITOR—Jack, why did you take the name of REYNOLDS? Thought you had been in Issue by the TIMES you say you are an Irishman.

PRISONER—It's a good enough one.

VISITOR—Have you any relatives in this country?

PRISONER—Yes, one in Massachusetts.

REPORTER—Is that his name? (Pause.)

PRISONER (after a long silence.)—I don't see what good that will do me.

Finding that REYNOLDS was still stubborn, a signal was given and the cell door opened. Subsequently a gentleman called at the cell and informed REYNOLDS that he was a partner in the firm dealing in bottles which the prisoner had he worked under the name of JOHN O'BRIEN. This visitor seemed to have no difficulty in recognizing the culprit, and stated that there were two O'BRIENS in his employ at the time, and he had come to see which of them was the murderer. Finding he was the shorter of the two, the portion of REYNOLDS's statement as published in the TIMES, and offered to assist the prisoner in any way he could, even to engage counsel for his defence. Even this proffered kindness failed to melt the stubborn heart of REYNOLDS, and he refused to be at all communicative to his new-found friend. The keepers of the prison look upon him as a great deal worse than ordinary criminals as they see to the idiosyncrasies of criminals of the most depraved class.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE TOWNSEND FAMILY.

Subscription lists for the family of the murdered man have been quietly circulated in various parts of the City, and a large amount has been collected. The following subscriptions have been received at this office: E. H. Coster, $5; Cash, $1; E. M., $5.

THE BLOOMINGDALE MURDER.

Additional Particulars of Dixon's Arrest—Statement of the Murderer.

As was yesterday stated, JOHN DIXON, the self-confessed murderer of DAVID SISCO, was arrested on the Harlem Railroad, on Monday night, by two men named AKERS and MORGAN, who, stimulated by the promised reward of $500, had joined in the pursuit. On Tuesday morning his captors took him, bound with ropes, to Bloomingdale, where, that afternoon, he was taken over to the church in which the funeral of his victim was in progress. The coffin was opened and DIXON was directed to look upon the corpse, which he did in a cool, critical way, as if to scrutinize the wounds he had inflicted. A constable then started with the prisoner for Peekskill, but on arrival the party found it too late, and so the prisoner was transferred. AKERS and MORGAN, his captors, came on with them to Peekskill, and by 8 o'clock their man was safely lodged in jail. An examination was shortly afterwards held before the County Prosecutor, H. A. WILLIAMS, Esq., at which the following facts were elicited from the testimony of the captors.

A reporter visited the accused in his cell yesterday, and says he is a man about five feet six inches high, very broad-shoulder set, round, weather-beaten face, dark hair, that leaves only a narrow, low, low, yellow skin, and to him clothes DIXON the fleeting expression of a careless, somewhat dissipated fellow, with a moral consciousness poorly developed. His statement made to the reporter was thus summarized:

I was born at Wynoddie, and am 27 years old; am married, but have no children. My mother died six years ago, and out of five or six brothers and sisters, I have only one brother and two sisters living. I lived with my father, with whom my brother also resided. SISCO had a grudge against me, because about three months ago he beat his wife badly, and Justice GUNNISON deputized me to arrest him, which I did, and he had to give security. On Saturday night last we were drinking at PETER CARRAN'S, and over at HOWE'S, the worse for wear, from about 7 to 8 o'clock. We were both so full that we could hold no more, and I refused a drink that was offered me. SISCO had quarreled with CARRAN, and I got him to make up and then we got him to start for home with me. On the way we were quarreling, and when we got about a mile he struck me on the left shoulder, knocking me half around. Then I knocked him down, and he got hold of my leg; so I kicked him, got loose, and gave him another lick with the butt end of my hoe to the mouth. I only kicked him twice, and then told him to get up and come home. He cursed and said he wouldn't go home with such a ——as me. So I left him sitting by the roadside and came on. The reason I left home on Sunday morning was I had been out of work for a month and had made up my mind hoe to the Colchester mines, near Stanting, (where I have a sister living,) where I used to work. So that morning my brother advised me to go at once when I told him of the fight I had had with SISCO, for, he said, SISCO would get out a warrant for me and have me arrested. So I left.

They say SISCO's head was smashed in, but when I saw him yesterday in his coffin there was only a double cut on his forehead that looked as if he had fallen.

THE WYNOCKIE MYSTERY.

Discovery of the Bodies of the Whole Children—A Terrible Death by Starvation.

At last the terrible uncertainty pervading the entire population of Northern New-Jersey as to the fate of the three young children of Mr. JOSEPH WEBER, of Wynockie, who disappeared unaccountably on New Year's night, has been dispelled by the discovery of the bodies of the unfortunate. The accounts received up to last evening were vague and incomplete, but enough was known to give assurance that about 10 o'clock yesterday morning a man named WM. RAMSEY, with one companion, both of whom had been looking for the children for some time, observed a flock of crows circling over a spot closely, as if attracted by some particular object. Proceeding forward in their direction, the searchers came upon the bodies of the three poor children, all sadly pinched and shrunk with starvation, but showing no signs of having met with a violent end. Two of them were lying stretched under

SOUTH AMERICA.

Repulse of Indians in Rioja—New-Port Scheme—Extradition Treaty Between the Argentine Republic and Chili—Natural Deposits of Roman Cement—Note on the Census.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BUENOS AYRES, Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1869.

The Indians in the Province of Rioja have at last met with a repulse likely to be long remembered. On the 20th ult. a band, numbering 500, made a most successful raid on Rioja, carrying off about 12,000 oxen, 2,000 mares, and several captives, was met between Mate and Ancalo, in the former Province, by Colonel CHARRAS, having a mixed force of about 300 regulars and national guards, and a few cavalry under his command. The action was sharp and decisive, resulting in the total defeat of the Indians, with about forty or fifty killed, all the spoils being recaptured and the few captives rescued. The chief Indian loss was caused by the death of their cacique, or chief, who was a man well known for his daring and lawlessness to the unfortunate frontier settlers. Apart from this salutary lesson administered to the Indians, the Provinces seem flourishing. The colonies in Santa Fe are prospering. Entre Rios, also, seems turned into plowed fields, and agricultural pursuits are now one of its chief sources of wealth. Though the demand created by the present way for maize, corn, fodder and similar products has, doubtless, done much to bring about success in these pursuits, it is very clear that agriculture is finding favor out here. Men are beginning to learn that other things besides sheep give golden results.

The Argentine Government has completed the transfer of land to the Central Argentine Railway Company under the conditions mentioned in my last. It appears, with reference to the Port scheme, that SARMIENTO, disgusted with the engineers out here, or else at the non-acceptance by Congress of the "Modern Port" notion, has sent to LESSEPS, of Suez Canal, requesting him to send two experienced men out here for the purpose of drawing onto new plan for effecting this much-needed improvement, so that we may have a port after all. The Extradition treaty between the Argentine Republic and Chili does not appear to be likely to pass the Senate of the latter nation; most of the clauses have been submitted, but there remain several likely to put a veto on the whole as it now stands.

One or two native papers report that natural deposits of Roman cement have been discovered in the Province of Cordoba, and that the discoverer has petitioned the National Government for a right to work the mines on his own account—a demand, should the discovery prove true, scarcely likely to be granted, the lands being considered national, or rather State property.

The census returns for the Provinces of Buenos Ayres, Cordoba, Santiago, Santa Fe, Mendoza, San Juan, and Tujuy give a total of 1,105,843; the remaining seven Provinces of Entre Rios, Corrientes, Tucuman, Salta, Catamarca, San Luis, and Rioja, are estimated at about 425,000; this, added to the returns furnished by the semi-civilized Indian tribes habiting the Chaco, Pampa and Patagonia—being 50,000 in number—gives the total population of the Republic at not much under 1,900,000 souls—and it will probably equal 2,000,000 when allowance is made for imperfect returns, &c. A curious fact appears in the census of this city, which gives a total of 177,889, namely, that the native inhabitants number but 9,000 odd over the foreign, so that the foreigners regarded as able-bodied adults, really outnumber the adult native population.

It may interest statistically inclined persons to read the following table of the exports in hides, wool and tallow, for the last four years from Montevideo:

	1868.	1867.	1866.	1865.
Salted hides	354,375	407,242	378,445	378,445
Dry hides	524,166	600,401	624,572	630,387
Tallow	21,618	20,022	16,864	19,209
Wool	37,418	43,667	47,105	155,022

* Pipes. † bales.

By this it will be seen that from some cause or other, our sister Republic is gradually lessening her exports, while those of Buenos Ayres are gradually increasing, as I shall show next mail.

After all that has been written, thought and said about Baron MAUA, it seems that his bank is the only one that has survived the late commercial crisis in Montevideo. Last week Government issued the requisite authorization to recommence work, so that MAUA at last proves his stability and honorable conduct, so greatly censured while the panic lasted.

The new season's slip is coming in fast at prices from $50 to $57 (paper) per arroba. This year's yield is put down at about one hundred and forty thousand bales, though it is very likely to fall little short of one hundred and fifty thousand.

In a few months more the question as to whether live cattle can be exported or not will be settled. The first steamer constructed specially for this trade is shortly expected out, having been launched at London some weeks back. The promoters are sanguine of success, and most of the *estancieros* seem willing to lend a hand in order to give the scheme a fair and perfect trial.

A case is just now attracting no little attention among the shipowners here. It is that of the *Iddo Kimball*, an American owned bark from New-York. The facts seem to be these: The vessel cleared from Pensacola with hard pine timber, but on getting to sea was found to be in a leaky condition. With great difficulty and constant use of the pumps the Captain managed to arrive safely at Rio Janeiro; here he repaired his vessel, giving a bottomry bond to cover the expenses incurred. Coming thence to Buenos Ayres, having discharged his cargo, he found himself unable to obtain return freight on account of his vessel's condition. He also fought that the outward freight had been drawn by the owners in advance, at least all that the consignee would advance thereupon, and that the bark had been heavily mortgaged in New-York. Under such circumstances he was utterly helpless. His ship might as well have been in the middle of the Gran Chaco, so far as its use or value was concerned. He could obtain no money to redeem the bond, to pay his crew, or to fit the ship for sea. He has written over and over again to his owners since last April, without receiving a word in reply. So the result is that the vessel was seized and sold to pay the bottomry bond by the local Courts of this place—the crew being thrown upon the Consulate. The Courts, with their usual obstinate dilatoriness, have been six weeks deciding whether or not to pay the crew, doing them cruel injustice, and causing immense inconvenience to the Consul and to the Master of the vessel. Be the result as it may, the name of the ship's owners has obtained an unenviable notoriety here, which, if unmerited, they would do well to explain away.

Americans in Paris.

List of Americans registered at the office of BOWLES BROTHERS & CO., No. 19 Rue de la Paix, Paris, for the week ending (Jan. 19, 1870: New-York—Jas. Wilcox, E. S. See, Geo. Kemp and family, H. G. Mulligan, A. Mulligan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ryan, N. P. Stockwell, W. T. Mortimer, W. A. Wood, M. Ellis and family, E. Forsyth, J. H. Bell. Boston—Mrs. Sam. Hooper, Miss Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Prince, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bond, Miss Bond, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Austin, J. E. Worster, G. A. Brown, Miss Laura Cushing, Miss A. Wentworth, Miss May Pratt, Miss Gertrude Pratt, Miss Grace Pratt. Kentucky—E. B. Davison, L. S. Davison. Massachusetts—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bullock, Miss Bullock, Miss Fanny Bullock, J. C. Stevens, N. P. Banks, Misses Banks. Troy—J. E. Hale, F. W. Hale. Baltimore—R. W. Tyson and family, F. F. Schlecker. North Carolina—G. W. Kidder. Maryland—A. B. Haynes. Rockville—W. R. Oscott. Illinois—M. J. Blakeslay. Philadelphia—J. A. McGinley. California—Mr. Ellis F. Badger. Chicago—Professor and Mrs. Sherwood. St. Louis—S. Barclay. Shetland—J. W. Walker. Plattsburg—W. N. Cole.

A STRANGE CREATURE.—On Monday last, a snake or worm about eighteen inches long was found imbedded in a piece of timber which was split open by a workman at DARNER'S foundry. It had no eyes, but gave evidence of life, and was altogether a very queer-looking specimen. Yesterday it developed a small head, and began to grow gradually larger towards the tail, till it assumed quite a swelled-up appearance. The body of the reptile, or beast, or devil, which it was—was of a dull yellow color.—*Lynchburg (Va.) Republican, Jan. 28.*

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Yesterday the Exchange Salesrooms were generally well attended by those who anticipated the auction of fifty-two lots in Westchester County, on the east side of the Central-avenue, one and one-half miles above Macomb's Dam Bridge, between New-York City and Jerome Park. STANLEY DAY, auctioneer, offered the first four lots, each 25x100, fronting on Central-avenue. Bidding was slow, and it took half an hour to run them up to $600 apiece, at which price they were knocked down to NICHOLAS SAWYER. From five to eight on the same line were brought under the hammer at $[illegible] each, but poor and quiet were the bids that the owner, TOWNSEND POOLE, withdrew the rest of the property from the market.

A. J. BUDDENS, auctioneer, sold the property known as the Collyer Shipyard, situated between Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets, fronting the East River, under direction of EDGAR KERCHUM, Esq., referee, in partition sale, by order of the Supreme Court. It comprises seven lots on the north side of Forty-third-street, commencing 200 feet east of First-avenue, and running to East River, and seven lots on the south side of Forty-fourth-street, immediately in the rear of the above. These lots command the water front of the whole block, and were sold in one parcel to GEO. H. FOCE at $2,500 each, the terms of the sale being one half cash and one half on a mortgage from three to five years. Last year this property brought $4,100 a lot. Notwithstanding the bidding yesterday were Aaron E. Cone, Rudolph Gonzaez and other prominent dealers in real estate.

Wm. H. RAYNOR has sold two lots and factory on Fifty-second and Fifty-third streets, 100 feet east of Twelfth-avenue, for $40,000. Also three lots, north side One Hundred and Fifteenth-street, 166 feet east of Fourth-avenue, for $8,000. Also two lots, north side One Hundred and Sixteenth-street, 150 feet west of Eighth-avenue, $2,500 each, and reports sale of five lots, Fifth-avenue and Ninety-third-street, three on the Avenue and two on Ninety-third-street, in rear, for $32,500.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

NEW-YORK.

By A. J. Buddens.

Collyer ship Yard, 14 lots, between 43d and 44th sts., fronting East River, sold in one parcel at [illegible] per lot, $28,000 ..... $28,700

WESTCHESTER.

By Stanley Day.

4 lots between Central and Grand-avs., Westchester County, each 25x100, at $600 a piece $2,400
4 lots in the same line, each 25x100, at $600 2,400

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Allen-st., s. s., 115 ft. e. of Broome-st., 18.2x65 14,000
Broome-st., lot No. 24, 25x96.9 27,200
Broadway and Washington-pl., n. w. corner, 25.8x100 ..... [illegible]
Broadway, n. e. cor. Bleecker-st., 25x60 ..... [illegible]
Do., Greene-st., 25 ft., Greene-st., 81.3 ft., Greene-st., 25x100 ..... [illegible]
Id. 74, (New-York Hotel property) 1,000,000
Broadway, Dyckman estate, lot No. 4 7,000
Cedar-st., n. s., 25 ft. w. of Nassau-st., 25x80 35,000
Elm-st., and Catherine lane, R. W. Corner, 25x[illegible] 24,000
Greenwich-st., No. 54 ..... [illegible]
Greenwich-st., No. 52 28,000
Washington-st., No. 521 ..... [illegible]
Do., n. e. cor. Washington-st., n. w. corner, 25.1x[illegible] ..... [illegible]
Murray-st., s. s., 20 ft. e. of Hudson-st., 18.2x100 12,750
Pitt-st., s. s., 150 ft. n. of Stanton-st., 25x100 20,000
Pitt-st., s. s., 125 ft. n. of Stanton-st., 25x100 20,000
Do., 25x100 20,000
2d-st., n. s., 201 ft. w. of Avenue A, 25.2x100 16,000
3d-st., n. s., 50 ft. e. of Avenue C, 25x100 ..... [illegible]
3d-st., n. s., 125 ft. e. of Avenue C, 12x45 ..... [illegible]
7th-st., n. s., 250 ft. w. of Avenue C, 25x100 ..... [illegible]
12th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 6th-av., 25x100.5 ..... [illegible]
21st-st., and 1st-av., R. W. corner, 25.4x100 ..... [illegible]
22d-st., n. s., 217 ft. e. of 7th-av., 18.2x98.9 ..... [illegible]
22d-st., n. s., 242 ft. e. of 7th-av., 18.2x98.9 ..... [illegible]
27th-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of 10th-av., 18.4x100.4 ..... [illegible]
30th-st., n. s., 175 ft. e. of 10th-av., 25x100.5 ..... [illegible]
30th-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of 10th-av., 25x100.5 ..... [illegible]
30th-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of 10th-av., 25x100.5 ..... [illegible]
30th-st., n. s., 300 ft. e. of 10th-av., 25x100.5 ..... [illegible]
40th-st., n. s., 250 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x98.9 ..... [illegible]
40th-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x98.9 ..... [illegible]
40th-st., n. s., 300 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x98.9 ..... [illegible]
40th-st., n. s., 325 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x98.9 ..... [illegible]
47th-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x100 ..... [illegible]
47th-st., n. s., 300 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x100 ..... [illegible]
48th-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 6th-av., 18.2x100.5 ..... [illegible]
48th-st., n. s., 125 ft. e. of 6th-av., 18.2x100.5 ..... [illegible]
50th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.5 1,700
50th-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 6th-av., 25x100.5 15,000
71st-st., n. s., 0 ft. e. of 2d-av., 50x102.2 21,000
71st-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 2d-av., 25x102.2 10,000
101st-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x100.11 4,000
101st-st., n. s., 300 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x100.11 4,000
101st-st., n. s., 325 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x100.11 4,000
144th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 10th-av., 25x100 17,000
144th-st., n. s., 300 ft. w. of 10th-av., 25x100 17,000
145th-st., n. s., 94.5 ft. e. of 8th-av., 21.1x100 12,000
145th-st., n. s., 40.5 ft. e. of 8th-av., 21.1x100 12,000
77th-st., South side, 100 ft. w. of 2d-av., 25x102.2 16,000
Avenue A, and 62d-st., s. w. corner, 25.1x[illegible] ..... [illegible]
62d-st., n. s., 50 ft. w. of Avenue A, 25x102.2 12,000
Bleecker-st., n. s., 63 ft. e. of Sullivan-st., 21.2x[illegible] ..... [illegible]
Bleecker-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of Sullivan-st., 42x[illegible] ..... [illegible]
Bleecker-st., n. s., 25 ft. e. of Sullivan-st., 21.2

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LAFAYETTE.....SURIAN.....SATURDAY, Mar. 19

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Palmyra, Thursday, Feb. 3 China, Wednesday, Feb. 23
Persia, Wednesday, Feb. 9 Alps, Thursday, Feb. 24
Tripoli, Thursday, Feb. 10 Cambria, Wednesday, Mch 2
Java, Wednesday, Feb. 16 Samaria, Thursday, Mch 3

RATES OF PASSAGE.

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NEVADA, Captain GRAY.....Mar. 9, at 10 A. M.
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ETNA, (via Halifax).....Tuesday, Feb. 8, 11 A. M.
CITY OF WASHINGTON.....Saturday, Feb. 12, 2 P. M.
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....Saturday, Feb. 19, 7 A. M.

and each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

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6:30 P. M., Pacific express, with sleeping cars through to Chicago without change, via N. Y. C. Railroad, also L. S. and M. S. Railroad, (daily.)
11:00 P. M., Albany night express, (daily.)

7:00 A. M., 3:30 and 7:30 P. M., Poughkeepsie trains.
7:00 A. M., 3:15 and 5:30 P. M., Peekskill trains.
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For Paterson and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 6:40 A. M., 8:40 A. M., 11:40 A. M., 1:45 P. M. (daily) 3:40 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 7 A. M., 8 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 12 M., 2 P. M., 3:15 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:30 P. M. From 23d-st. Depot, at 6:40 A. M., 11:40 A. M., 3:45 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 5:45 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 12 M., 4 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 6 P. M. and 6:30 P. M. From 23d-st. Depot, at 8:40 A. M., 12:40 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:45 P. M. and 6:30 P. M.

Sundays—For Paterson and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 8:40 A. M., 12:40 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:45 P. M. and 6:30 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 12 M., 2 P. M., 3:15 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:30 P. M.

For Piermont, at 9 A. M., 2 P. M., 3:30 P. M. and 5:30 P. M. (Saturdays only 7:15 A. M. and 12 M.) For Nyack, at 9 A. M., 2 P. M., 3:30 P. M. and 5:30 P. M. (Saturdays only 12 midnight.)

Tickets for passage and for apartments in Drawing Room Cars can be secured at the office of the Company, and baggage will be checked and transfer of baggage may be left at the Company's office, No. 241 Broadway; office, Grand Central Depot, and 241 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, and at the office of the Company, foot of 23d-st., New-York; foot of Chambers-st., New-York; and at the Company's Depot, Jersey City, and at the agents at the principal hotels.

A. T. DARBY,
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On and after Monday, Oct. 25, the trains will leave the Brooklyn and Jamaica as follows:

6:45 A. M., mail and express for Port Jefferson; 10 A. M., for Greenport; 2:30 P. M., for Port Jefferson; 4:30 P. M., for Greenport; 6:30 P. M., for Port Jefferson; 6:45 P. M., accommodation for Islip, on Saturdays through to Patchogue; 6:30 P. M., for Merrick, on Saturdays through to Babylon. All trains connect at Valley Stream, except the Merrick train and early trains.

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BANKRUPT NOTICES.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOSEPH N. COLLINS and JAMES M. HYDE, composing the firm of Joseph N. Collins & Co., bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—The usual notice in bankruptcy has been issued by said Court against the estate of Joseph N. Collins and James M. Hyde, of the City of New-York, doing business at No. 87 Wall-st., in said district, adjudged bankrupts upon the petition of their creditors, and the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to the bankrupts to any person or persons or to their use and the transfer of any property by them, or either of them, are forbidden by law. A meeting of the creditors of said bankrupts, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 165 Broadway, in the City of New-York, in said district, on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1870, at 11 o'clock A. M., before Edward Mitchell, Esq., one of the Registers in Bankruptcy of said Court.

E. R. HARLOW, Marshal—Messenger.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of HORACE E. BROWNE and CHARLES C. MORRELL, bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—A petition has been filed in said Court, by Horace E. Browne and Charles C. Morrell, in said district, duly declared bankrupts under the acts of Congress, on the 1st day of March, 1869, praying for a discharge from all their debts and other claims provable under said acts, and that the 26th day of February, 1870, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of John Fitch, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 44 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, is appointed for the hearing of the same; when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted. Dated New-York, on the 1st day of February, 1870.

JOHN FITCH, Register.
Pl'ntiffs' Att'y, No. 165 Broadway, New-York.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of WILLIAM H. KERR, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—The said bankrupt, having applied to the Court for a discharge from his debts, pursuant to the acts of Congress, notice is hereby given to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, to appear on the 21 day of March, A. D. 1870, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be held at the office of the District Court, before Isaac Dayton, one of the Registers of the said Court in Bankruptcy, at the office, No. 165 Broadway, in the City of New-York, Room No. 4, and show cause why the prayer of said petition of the bankrupt should not be granted, and why a discharge should not be granted to the said bankrupt.—Dated New-York, 26th November, 1869.

H. BARNES, Jr., Pl'ntiff's Att'y.
GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

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GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN J. SULLIVAN, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Southern District of New-York, ss.—At the City of New-York, the 5th day of January, 1870.—The undersigned, assignee of the estate of his appointment as assignee of the estate and effects of John J. Sullivan, of the City of New-York, in said district, who was on the 8th day of December, A. D. 1869, adjudged a bankrupt, upon his own petition, by the District Court of the United States for the said Southern District of New-York.

WILLIAM S. CARR, Assignee in Bankruptcy,
12-law3w Th No. 160 Centre-st., City of New-York.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of PATRICK PURCELL and HENRY M. ROBINSON, Bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—Hon. John Fitch, Register.—This is to give notice: That the second general meeting of the creditors of the above-named bankrupts will be held at the office of John Fitch, Esq., No. 44 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1870, at 12 o'clock M., for the purposes named in the twenty-seventh section of the bankrupt act of March 2, 1867.—New-York, Jan. 24, 1870.

JOHN OAKLEY, Assignee,
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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GOOD girl to cook, wash and iron; willing to do some housework; is a good cook; city or country; can give the best City references for two years. Call for two days at No. 125 West 18th-st., between 6th and 7th ave.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG WOMAN, A SITUation in a private family as laundress; would be willing to assist in plain sewing; is thoroughly understand her business; is a good ironer; has been City reference. Call at No. 64 7th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG girl, a situation as chambermaid in a private family, and is willing to assist in the fine washing; the best of City references can be given. Call at 34 West 16th-st., second floor.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT SEAMstress, a few more engagements by the day or week; can do all kinds of family sewing, and operate on Wheeler & Wilson's machine. Address MRS. JAMES, No. 423 West 55th-st.

WANTED—A LADY WISHES TO OBTAIN a situation for a respectable Protestant orphan girl, aged 14, who is willing to work; can be well recommended in every respect. Apply from 11 to 2 at No. 20 East 27th-st., corner of Madison-av.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG girl, a situation as chambermaid and plain sewer, or to assist with grown children; is willing to go out of the City; references from her last place. Can be seen for two days at 1,37 Broadway.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman, as housekeeper, or nurse and chambermaid in a private family; best references; City for two days at No. 108 West 35th-st., between 5th and 6th ave., top floor, front room, before 10 A. M.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG WOMAN, A SITuation as cook; understands her business; would go out by the week or month; has no objection to the country; has good City references. Call 25 next at No. 30 West 18th-st., between 5th and 6th ave., front.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTestant German as cook; understands all kinds of healthy cooking; good baker, &c. has good City references; no objection to the country. Apply at No. 329 4th-av., near 30th-st.

WANTED—A LAUNDRESS, OR CHAMBERmaid and laundress, or fine washer; situation by a thoroughly learned German as Frau Princess; best City references; situation in the City; business; high good City references. Apply at No. 329 4th-av., near No. 23d.

WANTED—BY A GERMAN WOMAN, A SITuation to cook; she is a thoroughly good cook; French and English; does meats, game, soups of all kinds, bake, lard, pastry, creams, jellies, good baker, &c. Call at No. 329 4th-av., near No. 23d.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG family, will assist in the washing or chamber work; best of City references given. Call at No. 362 8th-av., near 30th-st.

WANTED—FOR THE COUNTRY OR CITY, a situation as cook, washer and ironer, by a very desirable young woman, good plain cook; good baker and laundress; good references. Call at No. 329 4th-av., near No. 23d.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN ENGlish Protestant cook, country or City; she is an excellent cook; understands nice, warm pastry; cream; excellent bread and biscuits; milk and butter. Call at No. 329 4th-av., near No. 23d.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS cook in a small private family; understands her business thoroughly; would assist in the washing if required; City reference given. Call for two days at No. 143 East 26th-st.

WANTED—BY A NICE YOUNG GERMAN girl, speaking French and English, a situation as chambermaid and waiter, or waiter alone. Apply at No. 426 6th-av., corner of 26th-st.

WANTED—BY A GERMAN PROTESTANT woman, a situation as nurse or chambermaid and waiter; has the best of City references. Apply at No. 1,364 Broadway, second floor, near 36th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COMPEtent maid to go to Europe with a family; is willing to take charge of children; has been abroad. Can be seen at her present situation, 37 West 19th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS cook; is a good pastry cook; understands all kinds of cooking; City expected, $25. Apply at No. 409 9th-av., corner of 37th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG girl a situation as chambermaid and waitress; has the best of City references. Can be seen at No. 125 West 30th-st., corner of Broadway.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG girl to do sewing, or as nurse; family; is a first-class laundress, and has the best of City references from her last place. Call at No. 143 West 26th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class colored cook, in a private family or boarding house. Address for two days M. S., No. 150 Times Office.

WANTED—BY A SITUATION BY A GERMAN girl as chambermaid; is a good hand at fine washing; private family. Call at No. 731 4th-st., between Avenues C and D.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GERMAN girl as to general housework, or as cook, washer and ironer; City reference. Apply at No. 366 Bowery, up stairs.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECtable young girl as cook and assist in washing; good reference from her last place. Apply at No. 1 Elm-st.

WANTED—IN A PRIVATE FAMILY, BY A respectable girl, a situation as chambermaid or take care of growing children; good City references. Call at No. 46 Morton-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECtable girl as good cook, who has the best of City reference. Call at No. 30 East 30th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS ASSISTANT in a dressmaking establishment. Address MILLIE HARBURT, Station C, Post Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS nurse; has been City nurse; has been out at 267 East 17th-st., between 1st and 2d ave., for two days.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GOOD GERman girl to do general housework. Call at No. 127 Norfolk-st., between Rivington and Stanton sts.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class cook; has the best City references. Apply at No. 228 West 27th-st., between 7th and 8th ave.

WANTED—BY MRS. LOONEY, FAMILY washing, or would go out by the day; prices moderate. Apply at No. 48 East 17th-st.

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WANTED—A GARDENER'S SITUATION by an English married man, one child; no objection to take charge of a small farm; wife will take charge of dairy and poultry; has the best of references from the gentlemen he has served; prefers the country to the business of a gardener. Address W. H., care of seed store, No. 476 Broadway.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by a young married man; no family; competent and reliable; will take charge of the horses; gentlemanly manners; City testimonials; would not object to be a small garden; good City reference. Address J. M., Box No. 82 Times Office.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by a first-class man; a professional City driver; no objection to the country; willing to make himself generally useful; has good City references. Call or address No. 1,252 Broadway, in the harness store.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION, by a man who thoroughly understands his business; is a first-class coachman; good City references. Call or address D. L. G., No. 128 West 17th-st., private stable.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS GARDENER by a single middle-aged man of long practical experience in fruit, flowers and vegetables; unexceptionable references as to character, &c. Address J. V., Morrisania, Westchester County, N. Y.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG MAN, SINGLE, A situation as coachman and groom; thoroughly understands the care of horses, and is a good driver; best City and country references. Address C. M., Box No. 217 Times Office.

WANTED—A COACHMAN AND GARDEner's situation by a young married man; thoroughly understands his business; good references. Call or address for two days T. E., No. 248 West 37th-st., above No. 8.

WANTED—A GARDENER'S SITUATION by a young man, (a Protestant;) can give the best references as to capability in the charge of a gentleman's place. Call or address GARDENER, 118 West 26th-st., starting gardener.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN by a middle-aged man; has been used to horses; understands the care of horses and plain gardening; has good references. Address J. C., Box No. 80 Times Office.

WANTED—BY AN ACTIVE YOUNG MAN, a situation as waiter; understands his business thoroughly, and has good recommendations from well-known City families; no objection to the country. Apply at No. 362 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS WAITER BY a Frenchman thoroughly understanding his business; good references. Apply at No. 426 6th-av., corner of 26th-st., for three days.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION, by a single man; understands his business; best of City references from last employer. Address M. D., Box No. 180 Times Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class coachman; two years' references from last employer. Call or address No. 40 Lexington-av., stable office.

WANTED—A GARDENER'S SITUATION, by a married man; is perfectly sober and reliable; a competent gardener. Address J. C., Box 376 Broadway, near 14th-st.

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THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVING BEEN appointed by the Hon. Robert Brown Cooper, judge, in the said State, and having duly qualified for said office, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to orders heretofore passed in the Court of Common Pleas, in and for said State, I will sell to the highest bidder, at public sale, the property of the said Railroad Company, described as follows: The Railroad of the said Company, running from Charleston to Columbia, with all the rolling stock, now in good repair, and now in use, and all rails and other materials used on the road, and all and singular the several rights, franchises, privileges, and all real estate, grounds and buildings thereon, depots, houses, wharves, shops, engine houses, cars, tools, materials and all other property belonging to said Railroad Company, and all the stock subscribed for in the said Company and all other property, appertaining to or in any manner connected with, or forming a part of, the said Railroad Company, and all the franchises, rights and privileges of the said Charleston Railroad Company of, in, to or concerning the same. And upon such sale and upon payment of purchase money, I will execute a good and absolute bill of sale of the said Railroad, and all the property, franchises, rights and privileges of the said Charleston Railroad Company, to the purchaser, at the State House, in the City of Columbia, South Carolina, at 12 o'clock M., on the 15th day of March, in the present year, on the following terms: Cash, to the amount of $100, on the receipt of six per cent. bonds of the State of South Carolina, at par, or in private funds, payable in one, two and three years, bearing interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, with approved personal security and mortgage of the premises.

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the corporation or city treasury, any compensation or emolument, or promised or expected to be given to, or received by, any member of the common council, or any officer under the city government, or any person in his employment, or under his control, or any person or persons, or any corporation or association, or any other person or persons, or any corporation or association, for the use or benefit of any member of the common council, or any officer under the city government, or any person in his employment, or under his control, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not more than two years, or by a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars, or both, at the discretion of the court. Every person offending against either of the provisions of this section shall be a competent witness against any other person offending in the same transaction, and may be compelled to appear and give evidence before any grand jury, or in any court, in the same manner as other witnesses may be compelled to appear and give evidence, but not be liable to prosecution or proceeding, civil or criminal, against the person so testifying.

SEC. 143. And no member of the common council, head of department, officer, or any deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the corporation, shall be directly or indirectly interested in any contract, work, or business, or the sale of any article, the expense, price, or consideration of which is paid from the city treasury, or by any assessment, or by any act or ordinance of the common council; nor in the purchase of any real estate, or other property belonging to, or connected with, or which shall be sold for taxes or assessments, or by virtue of legal process at the suit of the said corporation.

SEC. 144. There shall continue to be, as now provided and specifically authorized by law, a board of commissioners of the sinking fund, composed of the mayor, recorder, chamberlain, comptroller, and chairman of the respective finance committees of the common council, with all the powers, duties, and such powers and duties now assigned, designated and ratified by existing laws and ordinances.

SEC. 45. Whenever the mayor and comptroller shall certify that a sufficient sum has been expended within the city of New-York, from any fire insurance, church, hospital, charitable institution, or free library, in accordance with the principle of like provisions of the laws of the State of New-York, they may file a certificate to that effect with the proper board of assessors, and in the finance department; whereupon such exemption shall be final, and the amount of the expired assessment be charged against the city as if city property.

SEC. 146. The annual city election for city officers and school officers shall be held on the first Tuesday in December, and the polls shall be open for the receipt of votes on the first Monday of January next succeeding. All the provisions of law now in force in regard to the duration, conduct of election, and ascertaining of votes at general elections, shall apply to such annual election of city officers, except that the returns of all elections provided for in this act, shall be filed by the district canvassers of the several election districts with the clerk of the common council within twenty-four hours after the polls are closed; and the said returns shall be canvassed by the recorder, city judge and board of aldermen, convened and sitting as a board of city canvassers, instead of, but according to the provisions of law relating to boards of county canvassers, so far as applicable. Provided that in the public announcement by canvassers of an election district of any result shall be prima facie evidence of the fact thereof, and if the returns filed do not correspond with such announcement, the said returns filed shall not be counted until the discrepancy has been explained by said district canvassers to the satisfaction of the board. The clerk of the common council shall be clerk to the board of city canvassers, and the said board shall meet on the Tuesday succeeding such election at noon, and shall within ten days thereafter wholly complete such canvass, and file within the same time duplicate statements of the result in the respective offices of the clerks of the common council and county clerk. The clerk of the common council, within five days succeeding the filing of the said statement, shall give to each person declared elected a certificate thereof.

SEC. 147. Upon the passage of this act, the persons filling the offices of mayor, comptroller, counsel to the corporation, chamberlain, members of the board of commissioners of charities and correction, superintendent of public buildings, and commissioner of the Central Park shall continue in office, subject to the provisions of this act, and until the determination of their respective terms of office. The persons now in office as members of the board of police of the metropolitan police district shall temporarily take office as the heads of the departments of police in this act mentioned, and the persons now in office as members of the board of health, and residing in the City of New-York, shall temporarily take office as heads of the sanitary department in this act mentioned; and the persons in office as street commissioner and as members of the Croton board shall temporarily take office as composing the board of public works in this act mentioned. And when their appropriate successors shall be appointed under this act, which appointments shall be made within twenty days after this act shall take effect, the persons in office shall cease to be commissioner of police of the metropolitan police district, or an superintendent or inspector of metropolitan police, or commissioner of the metropolitan fire district, or as a member of the board of health of the metropolitan sanitary district, or as a member of the metropolitan board of excise, and all subordinates of said boards of health and excise, or as a street commissioner, or as members of the Croton aqueduct department, shall cease to hold such office, and the offices shall be by such name thereafter abolished.

SEC. 148. The city of New-York is hereby exempted from the operation of an act entitled "An act to establish a metropolitan police district and to provide for the government thereof, passed April fifteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and of the acts amendatory thereof; and the city of New-York is also hereby excepted from the provisions of an act entitled an act to create a metropolitan sanitary district and board of health therein for the preservation of the life and health, and to prevent the spread of disease, passed February twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and of the acts amendatory thereof; and the city of New-York is also hereby excepted from the provisions of an act entitled an act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors within the metropolitan police district of the state of New-York, passed April fourteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and of the acts amendatory thereof; and the city of New-York is also hereby excepted from the provisions of an act entitled an act to create a metropolitan fire district, and establish a fire department therein, passed April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and the acts amendatory thereof. The act to amend the charter of the city of New-York, passed April seven, eighteen hundred and thirty; and the act to amend the charter of the city of New-York, passed April second, eighteen hundred and forty-seven; and the act to amend an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of New-York, passed April second, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, passed July eleventh, eighteen hundred and fifty-one; and the act further to amend the charter of the city of New-York, passed April twelfth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two; and the act supplementary to an act entitled an act further to amend the charter of the city of New-York, passed April twelfth, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, passed June fourteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-three; and an act to amend the charter of the city of New-York, passed April fourteen, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven; and an act relative to the charter of the city of New-York, passed April three, eighteen hundred and sixty-three; and the act to amend the charter of the city of New-York, passed August thirty-one, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, are hereby repealed; and all acts, or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are also hereby repealed; but the charters of the city of New-York, known as the Dongan and Montgomerie charters, so far as the same, or either of them, are now in force, shall continue and remain in full force, and shall not be construed as repealed, modified, or in any manner affected thereby. This section shall not prejudice or affect any rights accrued or legal proceedings commenced by reason of anything contained in the acts hereinbefore repealed or pending and commenced before this act takes effect; nor shall this section be so construed as to abrogate or repeal any provision of acts hereinbefore enacted, which acts provide in any way for the raising or collecting of revenues in the city of New-York, commonly called tax levies.

THE ELECTION BILL.

The bill introduced in the Assembly, to regulate the conduct of elections in the City and county of New-York, is given below in full:

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS HELD IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.

The People of the State of New-York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Hereafter, all officers to be elected by the people in the City and County of New-York shall be chosen at the general election in November, except the mayor, aldermen, assistant aldermen, police justices, justices of the district courts and school officers, who shall be chosen at the "Charter Election," and except in cases where special elections may be authorized by law.

SEC. 2. At elections hereafter to be held in the City and County of New-York the boxes to be used in receiving the ballots thereof shall be marked and numbered successively, as follows: "Number one," "President;" number two, "General;" number three, "Comptroller;" "Senator;" number five, "Assembly;" number six, "City;" number seven, "Justices;" and number eight, "Inspectors and Canvassers;" and at every election hereafter to be held in said City and County such number of boxes marked as aforesaid, shall be furnished as may be required by law to receive the ballots to be used at such election.

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SEC. 5. At all elections hereafter held in the City and County of New-York the polls shall be opened at six o'clock in the morning, and close at seven in the evening, extcept that the names of all qualified voters then in line and offering to vote shall be received.

SEC. 6. At the special election for Judges to be held in the year 1878, and thereafter at the general election to be held in November, and at the charter election and general election to be held in the year 1879, there shall be elected in the City and County of New-York two inspectors of election and two district canvassers for each election district of said city, and district canvassers shall be voted for on a general ticket in each ward, and shall be voters and residents of the ward for any election district of which they may be district canvassers on the ticket. The ballot, when folded, shall be indorsed, or have on the outside, the words "Inspectors and Canvassers—number eight," and be deposited in box number eight.

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SEC. 23. It is hereby made a duty of each district canvasser, whether elected or appointed, to be present at least fifteen minutes before seven o'clock in the evening of the day of election, at the place of holding the poll for the district for which he had been elected or appointed, and the four district canvassers, or if a less number attend, then those attending, shall, with as many of the inspectors as may be necessary to fill the vacancy caused by the non-attendance of those designated, then organize themselves as a board, for the purpose of receiving and estimating the votes, and shall choose one of their number as chairman.

SEC. 24.—When the board of district canvassers, at the close of the polls, shall be organized, it shall be the duty of the board of inspectors conducting the election forthwith to deliver the ballot boxes and poll lists to the said board of district canvassers, and the board of inspectors shall immediately thereupon dissolve, and the board of district canvassers shall then immediately, without adjournment or recess, and at the place of the poll, publicly proceed to canvass and estimate the votes, and shall have the same, and duties and powers, prescribed for and exercised upon the inspectors of elections. All the provisions of law now in force, and not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall be made applicable to the powers, rights and duties of the said district canvassers; and all other powers and duties not specifically mentioned and assisting in the canvass and estimate of votes as aforesaid, except the poll clerks of each district, whose duty it shall be to attend and render such services as the chief of said bureaus may require. All persons, inspectors and district canvassers, chosen at the special election in 1878, shall hold office until the 31st of December of that year, and those elected at the general election in 1879 and thereafter shall hold office for one year.

SEC. 7. In addition to the inspectors of election and district canvassers herein provided to be elected, the board of supervisors of the County of New-York shall annually appoint two inspectors of election and two district canvassers for each election district of said City and County, who, together with the two elected, shall form the board of inspectors of election, and board of district canvassers respectively. Such inspectors and canvassers shall hold their offices for one year, and shall be residents and voters of the ward for which they are appointed, in which they may be polled. The said supervisors shall make the appointment of inspectors and canvassers required to be made by them at least twenty days before the general election in each year.

SEC. 8. In case of any vacancy by death or otherwise, in the office of inspector of election or district canvasser, prior to the day of election, such vacancy shall be filled by the remaining members of the board in which such vacancy shall occur, or a majority thereof, and in case the chairman of the board is hereby authorized and required to administer the usual oath. All inspectors of election, district canvassers, and poll clerks, whether elected or appointed, except those hereinbefore appointed to fill vacancies on the day of election, shall appear before the chief of the bureau of elections, hereinafter provided for, on being duly notified, and shall take and subscribe to the oath of office, as prescribed by the constitution. And such notice shall be given by publication in at least four daily papers, for at least five days, published in the City and county of New-York. Any inspector, canvasser, or poll clerk, who fails to appear and take such oath on the day designated in such notice shall be considered thereby to have declined the office, and his place shall be filled as a vacancy by the board of supervisors.

SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of the board of supervisors also to appoint two poll clerks for each election district, who shall hold their office for the term of one year, such selection to be made at the time when the inspectors and canvassers prescribed to be appointed by said supervisors by this act shall be selected.

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